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GEORGIA GROUP 1 TRANSCRIPT

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Moderator (00:00:00):

[inaudible 00:00:00]. Mm-hmm. Yes.

Hi. How are you? Come on in. Hi, everybody. Hi, welcome.

G1: M (00:00:20):

Hey.

Moderator (00:00:33):

Hi. You sit wherever you like. I'm just waiting on maybe two more people. Hi.

G1: SN (00:00:40):

Hello.

Moderator (00:00:44):

Take a seat wherever you like. We got a full house. Very good. Well, hi, everybody. My name is MODERATOR and I'm moderating this evening. Uh, my role is Moderator to make sure that we can cover all the topics that the researchers are interested in. So, um, I might be moving the discussion along, I may be stopping you, it depends. Uh, I don't know how many of you ever participate in a focus group before. If you have, kindly raise your hand. Oh, so [inaudible 00:01:13]. So okay, so you all know how this goes so that's great. Um, so again, uh, the idea is for us to sort of be having a conversation. Uh, I won't necessarily call on you. But if you wanna speak up, that would be great. I just wanna go over a couple of things first. If you could put your, um, little thing facing me so I can see it. Wonderful. Um, that's wonderful. Uh, a couple of things, we are recording tonight's session, that's so I can sit and take notes, I can only take [inaudible 00:01:38] our conversation. Uh, but that is only used for the purposes of research. We won't be putting it on the internet or anything like that. It's just for the purposes of what we do to go back and listen to what your answers are. Um, also, because of the recording, I'll need you to speak in a voice as loud as mine. Uh, otherwise, it doesn't record and then, then again, yeah, right, like I get in trouble because we're not talking and they can't understand what was said. Uh, and actually, the conversation gets really good as well, surprisingly enough. It was like we're strangers, but then all sudden, you really get to like in the conversation and we all kind of wanna jump in at once. So if you could just speak, uh, one at a time, that would be really, really great. I noticed a few are wearing masks, please keep them on. We want you to be as comfortable as possible. But just be aware of that, when you're speaking, you might have to speak up a little bit louder because of the mask. Um, I might not understand you. You will also... If you feel comfortable, if you wanna pull the mask down when you speak and put it back up again, whatever makes you most comfortable. Um, but if I have a little trouble, I might ask you to repeat because sometimes some can be very muffling, others, um, are not. Um, let's see. Oh, also, any of the information that we speak about tonight, I don't have any relationship with it. I'm an independent Moderator. And I say that because I want you to be as open and honest as possible. Don't feel like you could hurt my feelings 'cause you say something about someone or something. Uh, so I have no relationship to any of that. And also I expect us to have, uh, different experiences, uh, different feelings. And so, um, if someone says something and you feel the same way, "Hey, I feel the same way." Or maybe you say like, "You know what? My

experience is a little different." That's okay. That's the whole point here, is to kind of have that conversation.

And I'll be asking you questions to kinda unpack some of the things that you've experienced over your lifetime. Uh, we'll be here until, uh, seven o'clock. So I'll try to get, uh, you outta here as quick- quickly as possible. And I do wanna just go around the room this one time, like in an orderly fashion to introduce ourselves. Maybe tell us a little bit about yourself, a little bit about your home life, maybe what you do for a living, how long you've lived in the Atlanta, Georgia area.

Um, so I'll start. Uh, my name is MODERATOR, as I mentioned. Uh, I don't live in Atlanta. Uh, I get to travel all over the country. I'm actually from San Antonio, Texas. Uh, I am married. Um, and I have, um, one dog and one cat and no children. And this is what I do for a living. So, uh, and I've been living here for about 25 years so I really enjoy it. So we'll start here with my tocaya

G1: L (00:03:59):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:04:00):

You go by G1: L or you by G1: L? You go by G1: L?

G1: L (00:04:02):

Uh-huh.

Moderator (00:04:02):

Okay. G1: L?

G1: L (00:04:03):

We have the same name.

Moderator (00:04:03):

Yeah, I know.

G1: L (00:04:06):

Yes. And I live in Atlanta. Um, I'm married. I have three sons. Uh, we like to go into a lot of street festivals and thrifting and art shows. And we just bought our tickets for Dragon Con. So we're looking for the Dragon Con coming Labor Day weekend.

Moderator (00:04:21):

Cool, cool. Well, thank you, G1: L, for coming. Next, we have?

G1: SN (00:04:26):

Yeah, my name is G1: SN. I've been in Atlanta since 2003. I went to school here.

Moderator (00:04:28):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:04:30):

It's kind of stuck around. It's a great city, really relaxed.

Moderator (00:04:32):

Mm.

G1: SN (00:04:32):

Um, do landscape architecture and, uh... Yeah, there you go.

Moderator (00:04:37):

Wonderful. Well, thank you for being here, G1: SN. Next, we have?

G1: CN (00:04:39):

I'm G1: CN. Um, been here about 14 years. Originally from New York by way of Puerto Rico.

Moderator (00:04:44):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:04:45):

Um, literally just came from Florida. Came straight here when I got the call.

Moderator (00:04:48):

(laughs).

G1: CN (00:04:48):

It is my first focus group. I'm currently unemployed, but I'm doing background work in the movie industry.

Moderator (00:04:54):

Oh, nice. Yeah, there's a lot of it here already.

G1: CN (00:04:56):

As far as I know. So I forgot what I wanna do with my life.

Moderator (00:04:58):

Yeah. So you were born in Puerto Rico?

G1: CN (00:05:00):

No. I was born in New York, b- by the way. My parents are Puerto Rican.

Moderator (00:05:02):

I get you. Okay, great. Thanks, G1: CN.

G1: SE (00:05:05):

Um, my name is G1: SE and I was born and raised in Atlanta. Um, and I'd live in the, the Smyrna area. So five minutes from here.

Moderator (00:05:13):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:05:13):

Yeah. Mm-hmm. And I'm in risk management so insurance. That's what I do for a living. Uh, my parents... Uh, my dad was born in Mexico. My mom was born in Honduras.

Moderator (00:05:22):

Great, great. You... Are you married? Children?

G1: SE (00:05:24):

Uh, I live with my boyfriend.

Moderator (00:05:25):

Okay. Cool. Thank you. Next?

G1: CA (00:05:27):

Uh, my name is G1: CA. I live in, I live downtown Atlanta near Grant Park.

Moderator (00:05:33):

I'm sorry. You said? The... You live in what, you said?

G1: CA (00:05:36):

Um, downtown near Grant Park.

Moderator (00:05:37):

Oh, downtown. Okay.

G1: CA (00:05:38):

Mm-hmm. Um, I have two children. I am married. Um, I actually was born in San Antonio.

Moderator (00:05:43):

Ah.

G1: CA (00:05:44):

Mm-hmm. Um, been here since the, um, early '90s.

Moderator (00:05:49):

That's about the time I got there. So we switched places (laughs). Oh, good, good to see you.

Thank you for coming, G1: CA. Next?

G1: M (00:05:54):

Hi, my name is G1: M.

Moderator (00:05:54):

G1: M?

G1: M (00:05:54):

Uh, I've been living in Atlanta since '01.

Moderator (00:05:54):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:06:01):

Um, I'm an accountant by profession, that's what I'm school for but I have a few businesses, which is more lucrative than working for somebody. So... And I live with my wife, my son, and my parents.

Moderator (00:06:12):

Birds? What kind of birds do you have?

G1: M (00:06:13):

No, my parents.

Moderator (00:06:14):

Parents?

G1: M (00:06:14):

Yeah, parents.

Moderator (00:06:15):

Oh, I heard birds.

G1: M (00:06:16):

Parents.

Moderator (00:06:18):

I heard birds. I'm thinking you have a [inaudible 00:06:18] or some kind of fancy...

G1: M (00:06:25):

I have birds but, um, from a distance, you know.

Moderator (00:06:25):

Okay. Parents, got it.

G1: M (00:06:25):

Parents.

Moderator (00:06:25):

Sorry. See? I'm telling you, um, I can't hear.

G1: M (00:06:27):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:06:27):

Uh, so thank you. I might ask for those, to, to repeat everything. I apologize. I apologize. Next we have?

G1: SH (00:06:33):

G1: SH.

Moderator (00:06:34):

G1: SH with an E, not an A.

G1: SH (00:06:35):

Yeah. I'm born and raised from New York [inaudible 00:06:39].

Moderator (00:06:39):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SH (00:06:40):

Um, I came here for college. I haven't left yet.

Moderator (00:06:45):

(laughs).

G1: SH (00:06:45):

Yet 'cause it's getting so New York-ish for me, um, without that traffic. But, um, I also am in the industry. I have a son. I have one son who starts college this week. And, um, he's also in the industry. So that's why we're still here, because he's been doing it since he was eight. Um, and other than that, I do talent development and substitute teaching in everything.

Moderator (00:07:17):

Okay, okay. Well, thank you for being here. Well, we're gonna start, we're gonna... Oh, one last thing I meant to... 'Cause I forgot to mention, this is really important for those who've never done a focus group before, um, there's no right or wrong answer. Yay. Uh, it's just what you feel, what your experiences have been. Again, you might have a different experience. So please speak up. Don't feel like, you know, I have to call on you or whatever. So, um, first off, you see there's a piece of paper in front of you and you put your names on it. Maybe you have a [inaudible 00:07:42] your first name. We're gonna start off by doing a little exercise here. It's a short written exercise. It actually consists of two pages. So what I want you to look at... There's a list here of different issues. And for each one, I want you to indicate, um, how important this issue is to you on a scale from zero to 10. Where zero is not important at all and 10 is like very important. Uh, and just sort of mark those. Remember there's two pages. And then when you get done, this is the hard part, I need you to put a star by the one that's like the most important to you. Okay? You'll only be able to star one. But you can just write those, take a minute here and read those for me.

G1: L (00:08:44):

[inaudible 00:08:44].

Moderator (00:08:45):

Yeah. Don't do that one yet. Just go to, just go to one and two. And we're gonna talk about that [inaudible 00:08:51]. Make sure you put a star next to the one that is the most important of all those, of those two sheets. Put a star next to the one that's the most important for you.

Okay. Anybody finished? And G1: CA, just put a star. Give a star next to the one that is the most important. I know it's kinda hard. There's a lot of them so... Okay. I, I'm gonna go around the room. And this time, we'll start off with G1: SH and go around this way. Uh, if you just tell me which is the, the issue that you put the star on. G1: SH, where did you put the star?

G1: SH (00:10:20):
So I put in inflation and rising cost.
Moderator (00:10:21):
Inflation and rising costs. Okay. G1: M?
G1: M (00:10:22):
I starred them all.
Moderator (00:10:24):
(laughs).
G1: M (00:10:24):
Um...
Moderator (00:10:27):
Yeah, pick one.
G1: M (00:10:29):
I'll pick one. Economy.
Moderator (00:10:30):
Pardon?
G1: M (00:10:30):
Economy.
Moderator (00:10:40):
Economy? Okay. And we'll talk about that in a minute. G1: CA, where did you put the star on?
G1: CA (00:10:43):
Um, housing cost.
Moderator (00:10:45):
Housing. Okay. And G1: SE?
G1: SE (00:10:47):
Voting rights.
Moderator (00:10:48):
Voting. And G1: CN?
G1: CN (00:10:49):
Inflation and rising cost.
Moderator (00:10:51):
Inflation. G1: SN?
G1: SN (00:10:53):
Inflation and rising cost.
Moderator (00:10:54):
Inflation. Okay. And G1: L?
G1: L (00:10:55):
Crime and public safety.
Moderator (00:10:55):
Crime and public safety. All right. Let's talk a little bit about... There's, so a majority of you
picked, um, inflation and rising cost. So talk to me a little bit about what you're experiencing?
What's going on?
G1: SH (00:11:08):

Well, in general, um, I just feel like the focus is off. Um, our country in general is super quick to rise costs we aren't really taking care of our citizens and assuring that we can afford what is constantly increasing. And I just feel like as a citizen, I'm not getting a return on my investment so yeah.

Moderator (00:11:36):

You said, uh, that they're not focused on but whose they the government...

G1: SH (00:11:40):

The government, the...

Moderator (00:11:41):

Which of those? Local? State? Federal?

G1: SH (00:11:43):

I would just say both. Because, of course, our governors are responsible for go- as, a, a part of Congress to pass bills into votes amongst, you know, the people in Washington. So I just feel like, uh, it's just, it's not, it's just not working. Whatever they're doing is just not working.

Moderator (00:12:05):

Not working. Okay. G1: SN, what about you? Talk a little about inflation and rising cost. What are you experiencing?

G1: SN (00:12:09):

Yeah. I mean, it's just kinda came and it's creeping up on us, and then kinda gotta... 'Cause it kinda... Actually was, it's very similar to Coronavirus. Used to be a lot of chatter about it, and then, boom. I feel like we're in a new pandemic.

Moderator (00:12:19):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:12:20):

An inflation pandemic, you know? We're almost... Our world was kind of being like manipulated to be comfortable paying more.

Moderator (00:12:27):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:12:27):

So...

Moderator (00:12:28):

Who's doing the manipulating?

G1: SN (00:12:31):

I don't know. It's the, the powers that be, you know.

Moderator (00:12:33):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:12:34):

Um, gas price is going up and the food price is going up. And then when, when stuff kinda might go down a little bit, but it won't go down to where it was before, that it'll like go, it'll like two steps forward, one step back type stuff. Like, you know, gas price is a great example. It was at like \$4.50 a gallon or something. Now it's like three, \$3.50 a gallon which is great, but it's like the, you can't say lower gas prices. You're bringing them back to where they were. That's not to me... 'Cause they're lowering things. It almost feel like they're gonna inflate stuff and then

deflate it and then try to convince us, "Oh, yeah, we're, we're, we're lowering prices." When it's really not. It's, it's all from [inaudible 00:13:09].

Moderator (00:13:09):

And who do you think is responsible for it? 'Cause you talk about they a lot. You, you used they a lot [inaudible 00:13:17] in that.

G1: SN (00:13:16):

Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Moderator (00:13:16):

Who do you think is responsible for the rise of gas prices?

G1: SN (00:13:18):

You know, whoever's in charge of the, the major industries, who's in charge of the, of the supply chain of, of those specific like logistics.

Moderator (00:13:25):

But we'll... I... Maybe I'll ask it this way. Would you say it's corporations or government?

G1: SN (00:13:29):

I think it's both.

Moderator (00:13:30):

Both?

G1: SN (00:13:32):

Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:13:33):

Okay, okay. Uh, and G1: CN, you put also inflation and rising cost.

G1: CN (00:13:35):

Yeah, I agree. It's like we have no choice but to pay these prices because it's what it is. But then they come, like, like you said, with the gas. One week, it's \$4.50. The next week, it's \$3.50. Why did you go up to \$4.50 in the first place if you can always have kept it at \$3.50? Or whoever the, the you know, the government or the gas people or... I, I just feel like they don't have the right people negotiating. I don't know who the right people would be to negotiate these costs and stuff. Um, I know we had the issue of the prices had to go up because of the ports and the travel and the gas prices and all that. But it just doesn't sit well. Especially when you're unemployed and, and you have, uh, people you take care of, you can't afford to do certain things.

Moderator (00:14:12):

G1: CA kinda mentioned that you saw the prices, gas prices at least going down. Do you see that as an indication of things getting better or do you agree with G1: SN that it's really kind of a false...

G1: CN (00:14:22):

It's just, it's just fake.

Moderator (00:14:24):

Yeah.

G1: CN (00:14:24):

It's just like they're waiving something in front of us. Like a little kid in a candy store, they take... You take me to the store and say, "Hey, you can look but you can't touch. You can buy nothing." And that's the way I feel.

Moderator (00:14:33):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:14:34):

But I need gas to get to, to where I need to get to so I have to pay the price. Like I'm being bullied to pay this.

Moderator (00:14:39):

Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:14:40):

'Cause there's no real other way to get around. Especially here in Georgia, it's hard to get around without a car, so.

Moderator (00:14:45):

Mm-hmm. Uh, aside from the food that, that you all mentioned, what are the costs you all see rising?

G1: SH (00:14:50):

Electricity, gas.

G1: SE (00:14:52):

Rent.

Moderator (00:14:52):

Rent?

G1: SE (00:14:53):

Rents. Yeah. Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:14:56):

Uh, and we'll talk about housing in just a minute. But you, you think... But G1: M says, you, you, you put economy. When you say economy, what, what do you mean? How does that...

G1: M (00:15:06):

First off I have something to say about in- inflation.

Moderator (00:15:08):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:15:09):

I mean, it's a problem. But, um, with the rising costs increase, ri- rise in wages.

Moderator (00:15:13):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:15:15):

So basically, um, it balances out. Like it's, it's a problem but it just, it's, it's manageable to me.

Uh, because I think, uh, increase in wages, gas prices are going up because of geopolitical issues, the war going on. So it's supply and demand. But at the same time, um, with increase in wages, i- the inflation is balancing out. So we are used to buying a bag of chips for a dollar, making \$10 an hour. But now we're making \$13 an hour and we are worried of \$1.20.

Moderator (00:15:45):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:15:46):

So I think if you do the math, I mean, coming from a math background, it bal- it's, it's an issue, but it's still manageable.

Moderator (00:15:54):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:15:54):

And it's, it's... You can still control it.

Moderator (00:15:58):

What makes this issue so important to you? It's like...

G1: M (00:15:58):

It doesn't actually, because... I mean, it does. But at the same time, I mean, I have the numbers background.

Moderator (00:16:03):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:16:03):

So for me, rising cost also mean rising opportunities, uh, because that's when you make more money 'cause you, you can, you can sell for more.

Moderator (00:16:12):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:16:12):

Uh, so as long as you know the numbers, I mean, uh, you can still manage it. And we are not the only country that has inflation.

Moderator (00:16:20):

But, but you chose economy over all these other-

G1: M (00:16:22):

Economy overall, like I'm worried about the recession and the, and the stock market going down.

Moderator (00:16:28):

Do you think we're in a recession.

G1: M (00:16:29):

We are not in a recession, but we are close to having a recession.

Moderator (00:16:29):

Okay.

G1: M (00:16:33):

So if that happens, regardless you know, inflation in 2008. But I mean, if there's a recession, that's where it's gonna hurt a lot, a lot of people, so.

Moderator (00:16:42):

Okay. G1: SE, you mentioned housing. You wanna talk to me a little about why that seems so important to you?

G1: SE (00:16:49):

So I, um, recently moved out on my own.

Moderator (00:16:51):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:16:51):

And that was some- something back then when I was like trying to budget everything out. I had like a budget. And then when I went out there, I started looking, I, I was not in that budget, I needed to increase that budget. And it was a, like it was like a \$500 increase and it was not was I'm expecting. Um, I'm not, I don't know. And I'm renting right now. I do eventually want to own, um, but I'm just not in a position to at the moment.

Moderator (00:17:12):

And how do you think the rise in housing costs relates to the economy? Did you see the relationship there or do, or do you think it's not related to the economy? You think it's something separate? Can you talk to me...

G1: SE (00:17:25):

Um, I think it is related. But I'm not sure how I... Uh, I am not sure. But I would say that's...

Moderator (00:17:27):

Does anybody wanna comment on that?

G1: M (00:17:31):

I think it's supply and demand. We have, uh, more people trying to live versus less supply. So there has to be some kind of regulation and rent control from the government. But I mean, it's just the corporations and the, the landlords are increasing profit margin, because they are taking undue advantage of the inflation.

Moderator (00:17:52):

Okay. And I'm sorry, you said voting, right, is important. G1: CA is the one who said housing was important. So G1: CA, can you talk a little bit about housing and why that's important to you?

What those is...

G1: CA (00:18:00):

Um, so I live in the City of Atlanta. So I live, I wanna say, five minutes from the Beltline. I am, um, a homeowner. So I do see the effect of everyone will... Let's just say the majority are trying to go back to live in town. So you have you're in town living. And you have so little housing and everybody trying to come in. That, obviously, they're gonna increase the rents and obviously the properties. Um, there's hardly any homes for sale and the minute they do go for sale, they're gone that same day. I mean, the, there was a house next to me that went on the market on Friday, and it's already under contract. I mean, it's unbelievable. Um...

Moderator (00:18:49):

Is there anything that can be done about this by anyone?

G1: SN (00:18:54):

Um, well... Oh, sorry.

G1: CA (00:18:57):

I think so, I think so. I mean, I think, um, I think but I don't know who, you know. I don't know who. And it worries me because once the pr- once the hou- the houses are going up and so rent isn't... Rent for now is at \$2,400 to almost \$3,000, \$3,200, \$3,500, depending on the little, on the area that you're at. It worries me because my parents, um, they're homeowners, they're both retired. Um, so in the neighborhood that I live, you have a lot of, um, retired.

So I worry about that per se and the property values going up to where they won't be able to pay the taxes, because they're both on a fixed income. And so, you know, I look at it and I'm like, "Okay, what was, you know, what are you paying this year? What are you gonna pay next year?" Um, and it's all based on property values. And mind you, they haven't done any work to their house but their property value is going up because everybody is building all around it.

Moderator (00:20:00):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CA (00:20:00):

You know, you have people buying houses that were built in the '60s, '70s for \$499,000, half a million and you're like, "What the heck?" So this is downtown. I mean, this is literally Grant Park. And it's unbelievable.

G1: SE (00:20:14):

I have something to say on that. I have a friend in the Grant Park area and the, um, the house she used to live in, um, right up boulevard.

Moderator (00:20:23):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:20:23):

Um, uh, the owner bought it for like \$100,000 some years ago. And then she sold it for \$500,000. And all they did is demolish it and built like a million dollar home right on that same area.

Moderator (00:20:34):

Right. Oh, yeah, yeah.

G1: SE (00:20:35):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:20:35):

Um, yeah.

G1: SE (00:20:35):

And then all of the neighbors-... But then the house across the street is like, uh, just run down. Basically, like crack house across the street from the million dollar home.

G1: CA (00:20:44):

Yeah, yeah. I mean, it's, it's unbelievable. I mean, my house is... You know, I haven't done any work on it. Mind you, my parents haven't done any work on it. But houses all around us are going for half a million, maybe a little bit more.

Moderator (00:20:57):

Yeah. I think somebody talked about... Did someone say, mention rent control? So many [inaudible 00:21:01]. Yeah. But... So how, how do you all feel about rent control? What does that... How does that make you feel?

G1: SN (00:21:05):

I'm negative against it. I don't think it's a good idea. I think we live in a free market economy. That's the, that's what... It's the hallmarks of the United States of America. If someone's charging a price, you don't wanna pay it, you don't pay it, you know? A landlord can increase the rent by 20%, and that's what's going on. And you have the option to move out. Move out. And he, uh, think... If he thinks he can get that money, let him get the money..

I mean, it's like people that cry about rent control also are people that are kind of... I feel like they're envious of people that own businesses and they, and they, they wanna be in that kinda dynamic. So it's like I own a property, I do own a rental property. I haven't increased my tenant's rent just because I, I create such a good dynamic of, of my costs, my costs to, to expenses. And... But you know? Maybe in a year if they renew, I might go up 10%, you know. We're talking, you know, a couple hundreds bucks. It's like... It's, it's just... It's natural. Like, you know, my property taxes are going up. And that's a whole other scam in my mind.

Moderator (00:22:05):

Yeah.

G1: SN (00:22:06):

Because I feel like, I feel like, it's like, it's like the government's just sucking money. This virtual number of what they can value your property at and then just tax you on it. And you're forced to pay it. You have no... There's no like remediation to it. I have appealed my property taxes every, every couple of years to mitigate that. But, um, even then, you know, this, the, the assessor can just be like... And it happened to me one time.

Moderator (00:22:31):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:22:31):

I think they got tired and they, they're like, "Well, no. We think it's this, it's gonna be that."

Moderator (00:22:35):

Yeah, yeah.

G1: SN (00:22:36):

You need to get to the Supreme Court.

Moderator (00:22:37):

Um, G1: SE, you said voting rights. I'm sorry. Um, can you talk to me a little bit about what, what makes that issue so important to you?

G1: SE (00:22:45):

Um, I think everybody, uh, they have that right. I think everybody should have the, the option. I mean, I, I'm, I'm very about like, "Hey, voting is your voice and everyone should go out there and do it." But I have experienced... Well, not experienced. I have gone to different places in, you know, in, uh, definitely South Atlanta, Southwest Atlanta, where, um, I grew up in Cobb County. So I go up to, in Powder Springs and go up and vote where I'm registered. And I'm in and out about five minutes. You go to the predominantly Black areas, there's two machines. And the line, three hours, three, four hours long. And I have gone to those, um, locations, those voting sites and I have handed out water, snacks. And I'm like, "Stay in line." I know this is unfair but voting for the correct person, I would hope would, would change that [inaudible 00:23:35].

Moderator (00:23:35):

Has it always been this way or...

G1: SE (00:23:38):

I don't know if it's always been this way. But I started getting involved in 2016. Um, and just going to the, just all the elections. Um, the governor election, uh, with Kemp and Stacey Abrams. I mean, it was just...

Moderator (00:23:49):

What made you decide... What made you feel like you needed to act?

G1: SE (00:23:52):

Um, just... I mean, I kept posting about it on social media. I posted that I wanted to actually go out there and just see, and see what was going on. I saw the videos and saw everything and I wanted to see with my own eyes. So I, um, did like, I've, I had people on social media cash app me money donations to go get snacks and drinks and stuff to go to these voting sites. And just seeing with my own eyes is the predominantly Black areas in like very rough parts of Atlanta in one machine, two machines. And people in lines in the heat or in the rain, in the cold. Whatever the weather is. And it was just so crazy to me that earlier that morning, I was in Cobb County, and they were treating me like, "Oh, like this royalty." And in and out, eight machines in a huge

building. And here I am and they don't have that same opportunity. Why? Because it's a poor area. And I don't know that they know that their votes gonna go elsewhere. I, I don't know.

Moderator (00:24:43):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:24:44):

I wanna piggyback on that. I live on the south side. I guess it's considered south side, by the airport. And they rezoned where I live. I was in Fulton County now South Fulton. So when it became Ful- voting time, they changed my center and we didn't get notified until the week before voting you know, where we do the vote. So people didn't check their mail. Like some... You know, junk mail comes, but when you... You get tired of all the voting stuff. If you didn't read it, you wouldn't have known your center had changed. And, you know, and it was literally my house is here. I used to vote on this side of the street.

Now I vote on this side of the street because they, they change from Fulton County to South Fulton. And it was so confusing and so many people never got to vote. 'Cause once they got their transportation... 'Cause, you know, there's no, there's no bus out there, whatever. If you don't have a car, you don't get a ride, you can't get there. Once they got the ride, they couldn't get another ride to get them to where they were going. It was a headache in the last election.

Moderator (00:25:38):

And finally, G1: L, you mentioned crime and, um, public safety, I think.

G1: L (00:25:43):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:25:44):

Why is... What, what, what is it about that, that still rings so important to you?

G1: L (00:25:47):

Yeah, my husband and I have, um, a couple of property. We own one in Douglas County and then we own one in Fulton County. The one in Fulton County is an up and coming, slowly but surely, regentrified neighborhood. And I did not know things were as bad as they were in Fulton County. I saw it on the news but I saw it from a distance, from Douglas County. I was like, "Wow, they're really shooting a lot in Fulton County."

Moderator (00:26:19):

Mm-hmm.

G1: L (00:26:20):

The gunshots, the ambulances, the litter. It's just, I don't know. Um, I think Andre Dickens, the mayor of Atlanta, has a really good plan to, uh, deal with the crime and the violence and the gun control. But it's just going on everywhere. All across the cities, all across the United States, there's been a surge in violence and crime. So I was just surprised by coming into Fulton County, a little surprised by... I mean, in two properties. Like, like they said, you own, you own one property and it's in Cobb County or Douglas County, totally different experience than anywhere where there's people of color, you know?

'Cause my, my husband and I are both of Hispanic origin. He is, um, Puerto Rican, I have a Panamanian background. And so issue's atrocious. Like the, somebody mentioned, um, the government services. Like if I need to go to the government service like DMV or Social Security Office, I don't do it in Fulton County 'cause the line is wrapping around the building,

there's no parking. I'm just like, wow. You know, you can see the disparities between race and class and socio-economic background and protection, poverty. You can see it so clearly.

Moderator (00:27:42):

Mm-hmm. Um, I wanna talk a little bit about... Well, one last question before we move on to the next session. Was there anything on here that, um, that was missing? Um, maybe you put it as a 10, that you were torn between two because, you know, you had to just pick one and, but you still feel pretty strongly about another, about that second issue? Is there anything missing that you can think of?

G1: SE (00:28:09):

Um, I would say the other... I was torn between voting rights and abortion.

Moderator (00:28:13):

Uh-huh.

G1: SE (00:28:14):

Um, just I don't think the government should be involved in any decision I make with my body.

Moderator (00:28:19):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:28:19):

And that's...

Moderator (00:28:20):

How do others feel about that?

G1: SN (00:28:22):

I just don't, I don't think abortion should be used as birth control.

G1: SE (00:28:24):

I agree.

G1: L (00:28:25):

I agree, too. I agree. Oh, my God, I'm so glad to hear you say that. And I'm a woman. And I just feel like... I don't know. I think we should look at education with women. Um, exposure to birth control. 'Cause there's more ways to not have babies than there is to have babies So we...

G1: SE (00:28:46):

I agree with that, too. I agree with that.

G1: L (00:28:50):

Yeah. It's just like...

G1: SE (00:28:51):

I mean, I mean, I, I am pro choice all the way but I don't agree that it should be birth control absolutely.

G1: SN (00:28:55):

It might be good, I think, if they, if they, if they desensitize abortion to make it like, "Oh, just get an abortion." Then it's just gonna be like, it's gonna make like women, younger girls to feel like, "Oh, that's normal." Like it's gonna like...

G1: SE (00:29:06):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:29:07):

And I don't think it's normal to have to get an abortion. That's just me. It's exacerbating the circumstances. That's like, "Okay, I need to get an abortion."

G1: SE (00:29:15):

Yeah.

G1: SN (00:29:15):

So it just becomes too like, like just, just like a commonplace word, then, then it's gonna, it's just gonna desensitize sense. I don't know. I'm just very polarized about the topic.

G1: SE (00:29:24):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:29:25):

I just say it becomes the norm, becomes the norm.

G1: SE (00:29:27):

Yeah.

G1: CN (00:29:27):

Yeah, yeah.

G1: SE (00:29:29):

It's a misconception.

G1: CN (00:29:30):

Big decision for [inaudible 00:29:32].

G1: SH (00:29:33):

Agreeing with her. I think it's a misconception as far as like people believing that it is, um, for birth control purposes. I primarily support it for medical purposes. You know what I mean? And for those who are raped.

G1: SN (00:29:51):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SH (00:29:52):

That's essential. But agreeing with education. Education is so primitive. And these children nowadays do not get education.

G1: SN (00:30:02):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SH (00:30:02):

Even if you were to slide it in the school system, some, not all.

Moderator (00:30:06):

What about immigration? Uh, some of the things [inaudible 00:30:10] immigration. What's your [inaudible 00:30:12] to that?

G1: CN (00:30:12):

Well, to me, immigration is important.

Moderator (00:30:13):

Okay.

G1: CN (00:30:15):

Um, I have a very good friend who's here illegally. Came here legally, was misinformed by some lawyers. Um, lost their privileges to be able to be able to get a green card through errors that were being told to her for her being naive, not knowing. This... I mean, this is going back 20, 30 years ago.

Moderator (00:30:33):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:30:33):

She was misinformed. And she did some stuff that she thought she was supposed to do so she can get her paperwork and it was classified as fraud on the documents. And so now, she's been banned for life to get a green card or any type of information to be, to be able to stay here. So that's important to me. 'Cause, uh, she's, like she's made it. She's got two kids, her husband got his green card already. Her kids were born here. I mean, they pay their taxes, they do everything and she's a good person.

And because someone misinformed her when she was 20 years old, and she's 60 years old now, you know, she's been blacklisted. I mean, and she spent thousands of dollars on lawyers to try to get her paperwork out. I mean, she still has a social security card that she can use 'cause she came here legally. But now, unfortunately, she's here illegally. And it scares me every day that she's gonna get caught and sent back.

G1: CA (00:31:28):

The backlog is, uh, it's insane. The backlog for immigration is just... You're talking about somebody waiting for, um, legal, to be legal, you know, become legal. You're talking about a 10, 15, 20, 30 year wait.

G1: CN (00:31:46):

Yeah.

G1: CA (00:31:48):

That's, that's crazy. Like...

G1: CN (00:31:51):

And, and... Excuse me. I'm not saying give it to the criminals. We know who the criminals are.

G1: CA (00:31:54):

Mm-hmm. Yeah.

G1: CN (00:31:54):

People come here doing legal stuff and get it, I get it.

G1: CA (00:31:57):

Yeah.

G1: CN (00:31:57):

But if... Like I met someone on one of my movie sets, 15 years and five months, it took him to get a green card.

G1: SN (00:32:04):

Wow.

G1: CA (00:32:05):

Yeah.

G1: SN (00:32:05):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:32:06):

And it was... He said it was like the... He got it because of the pandemic. He said... I think he said that was like... For him, the pandemic was his glory because he was able to get a green card.

G1: CA (00:32:16):

Yeah, yeah.

G1: CN (00:32:16):

He thinks that if it hadn't been for the pandemic, he was probably waiting another 10 years before he get it.

Moderator (00:32:20):

Where is he from? If you don't mind me asking.

G1: CN (00:32:21):

Mexico.

Moderator (00:32:22):

Wow.

G1: SE (00:32:22):

I have several friends with DACA. Like they're, they're through DACA. They do their taxes, they do everything we do, they're just with DACA. I'm just watching them renew. The, the whole renewal process, it's jus, it's just money.

Moderator (00:32:33):

Yeah. They pay a lot of money.

G1: SE (00:32:34):

It's just money. And, and I'm like, "You could pay that?" Like... And sometimes I'm like, "You... Do you see this..." Like, "Do you really wanna be here? Do you see this place?" Like, "Do you see what we're doing [inaudible 00:32:42] here?"

G1: CN (00:32:42):

But... Like... Well, I know where my girlfriend is from. And, and it's, you know, it's... For her, she could never go back.

G1: SE (00:32:48):

Right? Of co-... Yeah.

G1: CN (00:32:49):

So for her, she's like, "I'm gonna do what I have to do to stay here."

Moderator (00:32:52):

Well, I wanna move on to the next section and wanna talk a little bit about, you know, these issues that we've been discussing. But I wanna talk about where you learn about these issues and concerns that you've expressed. So, uh, I guess the first question is, what would you say is the main... We're not going through the same... We're not looking through that.

G1: SN (00:33:09):

Oh.

Moderator (00:33:09):

Yeah, sorry. It's just me talking. Um, what would you say is the main source, uh, your main source of, about getting information about these issues right now? Like...

G1: M (00:33:21):

Phone.

Moderator (00:33:21):

Your phone? Okay.

G1: SN (00:33:22):

Uh, news.

G1: CN (00:33:23):

So sad, the news. And I hate to say it's sad.

Moderator (00:33:25):

The news?

G1: CN (00:33:26):

Yeah. It's depressing to watch the news but you have to stay on top of what's going on.

Moderator (00:33:30):

Okay. Uh, G1: M, you say your phone. Uh, so what do you mean by that?

G1: M (00:33:34):

Like news, news apps. Apple News.

Moderator (00:33:36):

Okay.

G1: M (00:33:36):

CNN.

G1: CA (00:33:39):

Articles.

G1: M (00:33:40):

FOX 5.

Moderator (00:33:41):

Okay. Now, are you watching... Are you getting it like, uh, notifications? Or do you go to the apps?

G1: M (00:33:47):

I mean, when I'm bored, I go. But when I get notifications, I look into it. So mostly notification but sometimes, I am going, going surfing, I'll go to the apps themselves.

Moderator (00:33:58):

To the news apps themselves?

G1: M (00:34:01):

Yes. Uh, just to be knowing, you know, just, um, information, what's going on.

Moderator (00:34:08):

Okay. Um, G1: SE, you said you look at... uh, you look through feeds. What do you mean by that?

G1: SE (00:34:10):

Like articles. Like if I see something that gets... grabs my attention from, from any, like any other news article.

Moderator (00:34:15):

And where are you catching the... Are you going to...

G1: SE (00:34:17):

Social media.

Moderator (00:34:17):

Social media?

G1: SE (00:34:18):

Mm-hmm. So like Facebook, Instagram.

Moderator (00:34:20):

Facebook and Instagram?

G1: SE (00:34:21):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:34:21):

And is that stuff that your friends have posted or is this stuff that's actually content from the stations or the news?

G1: SE (00:34:27):

Um, content from the st- like there are, may come with a sponsored ads.

Moderator (00:34:30):

Okay.

G1: SE (00:34:30):

Or, or even stuff that people share.

Moderator (00:34:33):

Mm-hmm. Okay, okay.

G1: M (00:34:34):

Basically, I mean, you would know if you sign up for certain groups or something on social media, then you'll get news from that. So you like CNN and they'll start throwing on that or on you, on your Instagram or Facebook page.

Moderator (00:34:46):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:34:47):

We're probably gonna see a lot of political stuff now. Our phones are listening.

G1: SE (00:34:50):

I know.

G1: L (00:34:51):

Right.

Moderator (00:34:51):

So your phones are listening?

G1: SN (00:34:52):

Oh, yeah.

Moderator (00:34:52):

Yeah, yeah.

G1: SN (00:34:54):

They're like watching.

G1: M (00:34:57):

They're watching while listening. Um...

G1: SN (00:34:58):

They watch you, too. Yeah. Huh.

Moderator (00:35:01):

And you said news, G1: SN.

G1: SN (00:35:02):

Yeah, yeah.

Moderator (00:35:03):

Like where, where are you getting... Um, when you say news, what does that mean to you?

G1: SN (00:35:06):

Uh, I like watching headline news in the morning. It's my morning routine. Coffee, headline news, uh, just kind of start the day. All the top headlines. It's all political stuff. It's like a, like a

hodgepodge of just random news. But then at night, I like to watch NBC Nightly News. And I like that... 'Cause it's, it kinda condenses like a lot of the, uh, heavy hitter stories in the one...

Moderator (00:35:26):

In 30 minutes.

G1: SN (00:35:26):

30 minutes. Yeah. Yeah. I like it.

Moderator (00:35:30):

Uh-huh. Mm-hmm. And headline news, is, is it station, right?

G1: SN (00:35:32):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:35:32):

That's a... Yeah. Uh, and when you watch, um, NBC Nightly News, what is it about that news that you particularly like?

G1: SN (00:35:41):

Uh, just the, the flow of it. Uh, the, it's... Uh, there's ABC and then there's NBC. And they're, they both kind of have the same stories. But then sometimes, like some of them have different takes on the stories, which I think is cool. Different interviews and different things like that.

Moderator (00:35:53):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:35:54):

Um, I so usually catch one of them, depending what time it is.

Moderator (00:35:57):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:35:58):

Uh, but, yeah, it's just really condensed, and it's gonna, it's only gonna be, be like big headlines, you know.

Moderator (00:36:03):

Right. Mm-hmm. Do you all watch local news at all?

G1: CN (00:36:06):

Yeah, in the morning.

G1: SE (00:36:07):

Mm.

G1: CN (00:36:07):

That's when I wake up... That's what I wake up to. And then I watched the dateline, uh, the-

G1: SN (00:36:10):

Headline?

G1: CN (00:36:11):

... The Headline with David Muir.

G1: SN (00:36:12):

Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah.

G1: CN (00:36:12):

That's what I watch. And me because it's, like he says, it's condensed, condensed in 30 minutes, it's not that overload of an hour of them repeating the same thing and then get you depressed because of the war in Ukraine and what, you know, whatever's going on. But I do the

morning, I do the, you know, local news here every morning just to see. And that's just even de-
you know, depressing will all the crime and all the shootings and... But I watch it, just make sure
that [inaudible 00:36:36].

G1: M (00:36:38):

I, I try not to watch the local news.

Moderator (00:36:39):

You try not to watch the local news?

G1: M (00:36:39):

Not to watch the...

Moderator (00:36:39):

Why is that?

G1: M (00:36:39):

Depressing.

G1: SE (00:36:41):

Yeah, it's [inaudible 00:36:41].

G1: M (00:36:41):

There's always something happening around.

G1: CA (00:36:43):

It gives you anxiety.

G1: SE (00:36:44):

Yes. It really does. Like watching it makes me feel very uneasy.

Moderator (00:36:47):

Uh, what is it about that makes you...

G1: SE (00:36:48):

Just everything that's going on. And like crime in the area. I mean, right outside my
neighborhood, somebody was shot at, like a few weeks ago at a convenience store. And I saw it
on the news. And I was like, "I had no idea this happened."

G1: M (00:37:00):

So, so sometimes what happened like if you know, like you get more worried. But sometimes, if
you don't know, you're just gonna go to the gas station.

G1: SE (00:37:07):

Yeah. I still... I mean, I still go but...

G1: M (00:37:10):

G1: SH, what were you saying? The [inaudible 00:37:11] news?

G1: SH (00:37:13):

Yeah. Um, I don't primarily watch the news. I just feel like they're too scripted for me. And it's
not... Or it's not raw and uncut. So personally, for me, I follow social media sites that exposed...
They'll do the research and expose what's really happening in the government. Yeah. There's
one called more information, I'll follow them. And I'll follow like ATL Scoop. Um, I also have an
app. I don't know if you all have it. But there's a neighborhood app that pings you when there's...

G1: SN (00:37:46):

Citizen?

G1: SH (00:37:46):

Yes. I utilize that, uh, app.

G1: CA (00:37:50):
That one gives you... That one, that one will give you [inaudible 00:37:52].

G1: SE (00:37:52):
I don't like that one. [inaudible 00:37:53].

G1: CN (00:37:54):
That would give you anxiety.

Moderator (00:37:55):
It's called Neighborhood app or Citizen?

G1: SN (00:37:56):
Citizen.

Moderator (00:37:56):
It's called Citizen.

G1: SN (00:37:56):
Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:37:56):
That's bad.

G1: SH (00:38:01):
So... And I guess it's, it's immune to me, 'cause in New York, everything is like it is what it is. So even being out here and having a son of diverse background, I have to be aware of what is going on at all times. And as far as the government and economy, I'll follow those other sites to be exposed to what's really happening even with, um, our finances and, you know, things of that nature. But I don't really watch the news. To be honest, if I do watch the news, it's New York news. It's not, it's not Atlanta news, so.

Moderator (00:38:36):
What about Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, talk to me a little about those.

G1: SH (00:38:40):
TikTok.

G1: SN (00:38:40):
TikTok.

G1: SH (00:38:40):
Yeah.

Moderator (00:38:41):
What about TikTok?

G1: SN (00:38:42):
It's click. It's right there.

G1: SH (00:38:43):
Very quick.

G1: SN (00:38:43):
You can kinda like... It's in between other things you'd like to watch. So it gets your attention and boom, you can swipe up and go to next story or go to next Tik-

Moderator (00:38:52):
Do you, do you watch it for news though or you use it for entertaining?

G1: SN (00:38:53):

Oh, seek anything out on TikTok. I let it kind of populate what you, what are, what it kind of wants you, your, on your For You page. Where, where you think it'll, it'll kind of give you stuff that you might like. Then if you like it, it's gonna, it's gonna put that in the algorithm and then kinda give you stuff related to it.

Moderator (00:39:09):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:39:10):

It's really, it's really cool.

Moderator (00:39:11):

Do you get a lot of politics and that or is it just...

G1: SH (00:39:13):

There are some.

G1: SN (00:39:13):

Yeah.

G1: SH (00:39:13):

Exposing a lot. So...

G1: SN (00:39:13):

Oh, yeah.

G1: M (00:39:17):

I like to have good source, uh, where the news is coming from or generating.

Moderator (00:39:22):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:39:22):

So I don't really care about random Facebook ads or, um, Instagram or Tiktok. I like more like New York Times and Wall Street. Something that's sore, something those are [inaudible 00:39:35] rather than research around the...

G1: SN (00:39:37):

I like New York Times too but they charge. I'm not paying.

G1: SE (00:39:40):

Well, a lot of the stuff that you see on social media kind of takes you back to those types of articles. Like it's not just someone making a post or whatever.

G1: SH (00:39:46):

Yeah. And they're not, they're not making up stuff. Like I've seen people solve crimes quicker on social media than the police. So I mean, like for me, that's where you get the... You know?

G1: SE (00:39:56):

Yeah. I like to...

G1: SN (00:39:56):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:39:59):

You said what G1: CA?

G1: CA (00:39:59):

I get my news from, um, the app, Nextdoor.

G1: SH (00:40:01):

Yeah.

G1: CA (00:40:02):

Uh, Nextdoor app.

G1: SH (00:40:02):

Yeah. And I have that, too.

G1: CA (00:40:03):

Yeah, the Nextdoor because it's nosy neighbor.

G1: SH (00:40:12):

Yeah. [inaudible 00:40:13].

G1: CA (00:40:12):

It's nosy neighbors and literally you can, like, you know...

G1: CN (00:40:16):

You, you find out what's going... I mean, they're nosy, but it's good to know [inaudible 00:40:19].

G1: CA (00:40:18):

It's good to know if [inaudible 00:40:19].

G1: CN (00:40:19):

Like in my neighbor... Like I live in a pretty decent neighborhood. I've been there, uh, 10 years, and we only had one crime like in the actual subdivision. And last May, we had a situation. Somebody had a visitor, he didn't take his medications, went haywire, and started destroying people's property.

Moderator (00:40:34):

Oh, gosh.

G1: CN (00:40:35):

Um, and so we... The... You know, as part of the board, we had to address it. But, you know, because I'm Fulton, South Fulton, you're not you know, uh, we... The cops couldn't even come to us in time. So neighbors had to restrain him 'til the cops came. 'Cause Fulton came and said it was done. South Fulton came and said, "We think it's done it's us, we don't know." So it, it was like 45 minutes of chaos. But they're, it's a good, it's a... To me, it's a good app because you get to see... It's got a lot of craziness in there but...

G1: CA (00:41:02):

Yeah, there's a lot of, there's a lot of in- inequalities and discrimination on there.

G1: CN (00:41:07):

Yeah.

G1: CA (00:41:07):

Some opinions more heated than others. But I just close the discussion and just, you know, um...

G1: CN (00:41:13):

Yeah, I'd, I read and then I go there.

Moderator (00:41:14):

Uh, I wanna go back to what G1: SN talked about, about having to pay to get access to like New York Times. What the... Does that keep you all from accessing that news? What do you typically do?

G1: SE (00:41:22):

I don't pay for it.

G1: CN (00:41:23):

I don't pay for it.

Moderator (00:41:23):

You don't pay for it?

G1: L (00:41:25):

Oh, let me tell you what I do. Well, I had a neat little trick that I learned.

G1: SN (00:41:29):

That's what I [inaudible 00:41:30] so.

G1: L (00:41:33):

Let me, let me get you repeat the question so I make sure I answer it right.

Moderator (00:41:35):

No. Just go ahead.

G1: L (00:41:36):

Okay. So if you don't wanna pay... You're talking about paying for the news, right?

Moderator (00:41:39):

Mm-hmm.

G1: L (00:41:40):

Okay. You just... On an iPhone or Android, just copy and paste the title and it's exploring exactly...

G1: M (00:41:48):

There you go. That's what I do. That's what I do. That's what I do.

G1: L (00:41:49):

They give you a free copy of the same story.

G1: M (00:41:52):

That's what I do.

G1: L (00:41:52):

Yeah. I've been doing it for years.

G1: M (00:41:54):

So, so, so, so if I got a notification on my iPhone from Apple... I mean, for New York Times and [inaudible 00:42:01].

G1: CN (00:41:59):

Nobody's paying \$10.

G1: M (00:42:02):

So I just google search the keywords and then it'll give me 10 sources for free and be seeing...

G1: L (00:42:07):

For the same article-

G1: M (00:42:08):

For the same article.

G1: L (00:42:09):

... without paying \$10.

G1: M (00:42:10):

And that's the hack.

G1: SN (00:42:11):

But it's not the, it's not the actual New York Times article.

G1: M (00:42:14):

It's not the actual but it's, the, the news is actual.

G1: L (00:42:17):

Everything is the same.

G1: SN (00:42:18):

Got it, got it.

G1: M (00:42:19):

If there is a war in Ukraine that Apple... New York Times wants me to pay for this, I'll just Google it and I'll get the same information.

G1: L (00:42:26):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:42:26):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:42:27):

Cool.

Moderator (00:42:28):

Uh, what about, uh, YouTube? Can you talk to me about YouTube a little bit? Um...

G1: M (00:42:35):

I love YouTube.

Moderator (00:42:37):

You love YouTube, G1: M? What do you love about it? When is it-

G1: M (00:42:38):

I love YouTube that, uh, it's a good pastime.

Moderator (00:42:41):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:42:41):

And some characters in there, like clowns.

Moderator (00:42:42):

What about for the news?

G1: M (00:42:43):

So I subscribe like they're like channels again, subscribe. So I do subscribe like ABC, NBC. Uh, just hit the like and then you have that page. So like when you open your YouTube, uh, wall, I mean it, it just shows like all the likes or subscription, uh...

Moderator (00:43:02):

What, what, what makes it so attractive?

G1: M (00:43:04):

It doesn't make any attractive but it's like couple of minutes like you can just browse, just like TikTok or something. But it's just like...

Moderator (00:43:09):

Is that what you like about it?

G1: M (00:43:10):

I like, I like to know the headlines. And then I like to click on particular for like the topic so... But I just like [inaudible 00:43:16]. So, um, that's what I use it for.

Moderator (00:43:19):

G1: CA, are you gonna say something?

G1: CA (00:43:20):
Yeah. Oh, oh [inaudible 00:43:20].
Moderator (00:43:20):
Okay.
G1: CA (00:43:20):
Just like something, something, something new.
G1: SE (00:43:25):
I just use it for music videos. That's it.
Moderator (00:43:27):
Just for music videos?
G1: SE (00:43:28):
Yeah.
Moderator (00:43:29):
Okay. Does anybody else use YouTube for news?
G1: SH (00:43:31):
Yes. For my New York news, I use YouTube, too.
Moderator (00:43:34):
You do?
G1: SH (00:43:35):
Yeah. I used to I love it. And it's quick. I just see the headline-
Moderator (00:43:40):
Mm-hmm.
G1: SH (00:43:41):
... and I'll, you know...
Moderator (00:43:42):
Mm-hmm.
G1: L (00:43:44):
And I learned a lot in the commentary of news as well. We're now looking at YouTube videos and you read the commentary underneath it. There's a lot of great pertinent information that's there embedded.
Moderator (00:43:55):
And who's putting that information in there? Users or...
G1: L (00:43:57):
Mm-hmm. Users. And they will usually cite their references. Not all the time. But a lot of times, they'll cite their references too, if you wanna fact check what they're saying, what they wanna expound on the topic.
Moderator (00:44:07):
Mm-hmm.
G1: L (00:44:07):
So it's great because you have an audience there, you can bounce ideas off of and get more information from YouTube.
Moderator (00:44:14):

G1: SE you said you go on, uh, TikTok. I mean, uh, excuse me, Instagram. Talk to me a little bit about your Instagram experiences. What's that about? What do you... Do you go in there looking at your friends? You get news? And what...

G1: SE (00:44:26):

News, friends, um, A- ATL scoop. The, the... Sometimes it's entertaining. Sometimes it's news, like a local news. Um, there's one Georgia followers also entertainment, uh, religious entertainment and, um, the news will pop up on there. And then I'll, sometimes I'll visit a link from Instagram and it will take me to their website.

Moderator (00:44:47):

Is there a particular thing that catches your eye or it is, is it a, a person who's posting or is it the topic that you...

G1: SE (00:44:52):

Definitely the topic.

Moderator (00:44:53):

Definitely the topic?

G1: SE (00:44:55):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:44:56):

Okay. Um, and then sort of finally to kinda wrap this section up, is there a difference between the Spanish language news and the English news?

G1: L (00:45:04):

Oh, yeah.

Moderator (00:45:05):

Yeah?

G1: L (00:45:05):

Oh, yeah.

Moderator (00:45:05):

What's the big difference, G1: CN?

G1: CN (00:45:07):

Um, I don't even know how to say it. Um, like on the Spanish news, the women are like going, showing out and popping out short skirts. And in on the American news, everybody's very you know, more professional. That's number one. Number two, it's more, um, my mom watches it all the time, and it's more like movie star stuff, movie star stuff. And then a little bit of what's going on. The news that she watches, you know.

Moderator (00:45:36):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:45:36):

She prefers to watch the news in... For Puerto Rico stations instead of the Atlanta stations because she said that she don't care about all the crime here. And she doesn't wanna know about the crime in her neighborhood because she doesn't go out. She'd rather know what's going on with her family in Puerto Rico. Uh, but really, like you can see the difference like the news lady, literally she's, you know, size two. Nothing wrong with the size two, you know. Size two boobs are popping out, skirt... You know, even like the talk shows are different too.

Moderator (00:46:01):

Yeah.

G1: CN (00:46:02):

You know, f- four or five inch heels. And they're like...

Moderator (00:46:05):

What about the news content, though? Is the content...

G1: SE (00:46:06):

I think it's dramatic.

Moderator (00:46:10):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:46:10):

It's, uh... I think it was... The, the way it's... The way they, the way they present the news is like...

G1: SE (00:46:13):

A novella

G1: CN (00:46:13):

Yeah. In Mexico, it's like [inaudible 00:46:17].

G1: SE (00:46:18):

Oh my God. And then my mom will go... She was like, "Did you hear it?" And I'm like, "Stop [inaudible 00:46:22]. Just stop."

G1: CN (00:46:23):

Even though when they, even though when they say, you know, the new McDonald's is opening up the street. "In rural Mexico, you know, [foreign language 00:46:29]." And I'm like, "Yeah, McDonald's." You know? It's just... To me, it's just too over the top.

G1: SE (00:46:37):

And they-

Moderator (00:46:37):

Is that less trustworthy for you?

G1: SE (00:46:40):

It's kind of like they try to influence you. Like, like, if they're being dramatic on, on how the new McDonald... It's kind of like, they're trying to be like, "Well, you shouldn't agree with this new McDonald's opening here." Because of the way they're saying it. It's like they're trying to influence with their tone and how they're... Like the delivery.

G1: CN (00:46:54):

It's, it's just a little bit to... Like it drive me bonkers to go watch news with my mom, you know.

G1: SE (00:46:59):

Yeah, no.

Moderator (00:47:00):

And the... And I forgot to ask this question earlier when we're talking about social media, is there one that you use more than the other?

G1: CN (00:47:05):

I use Instagram.

Moderator (00:47:06):

Instagram the most? What about you, G1: SH?

G1: SH (00:47:07):

Instagram.

Moderator (00:47:09):

Instagram also? G1: M?

G1: M (00:47:11):

All of them.

Moderator (00:47:11):

You use all of them the same?

G1: M (00:47:12):

I mean, yeah. I have other things to do in life than just watching news and... So, I mean, like eyes open, whatever. I mean, um...

Moderator (00:47:19):

Mm-hmm. G1: CA what, which social media do you [inaudible 00:47:22]?

G1: CA (00:47:22):

I use Facebook. I use Facebook and Instagram.

Moderator (00:47:26):

Mm-hmm, mm-hmm, mm-hmm. G1: CN, what are you, which ones do you use the most?

G1: CN (00:47:27):

Um, more Facebook, Instagram, I'm, I'm old so I'm building on the Instagram [inaudible 00:47:32].

Moderator (00:47:33):

Do you, do you... Have you guys... G1: CA and G1: CN, have you all tried new platforms lately or you pretty much stick...

G1: CN (00:47:37):

I... No, I just thought it through. I mean, I'm... I guess I'm aging myself. I just like doing TikTok, like looking at TikTok. 'Cause I was like, "There's all the TikTok stuff." So I've just started going on TikTok. And it's very entertaining. Um, the stuff that like you said, the algorithm send you, I'm like, "Oh, okay. You think I like that. Okay."

G1: M (00:47:53):

It's more ways to like waste your time.

G1: CN (00:47:56):

Yeah.

G1: M (00:47:56):

And then you guys... Then people worry about inflation and costs.

G1: CN (00:47:59):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:47:59):

So if you put less time on social media and more time building yourself, you'll know a lot of people don't have a lot of problems they have.

G1: CN (00:48:05):

Well, I'm not... Like I don't... Like I'm not, I'm not on Facebook or Instagram. And, and I mean, in the movie industry, they tell you, you know, "What's your, what's your handle? What are you putting out on Instagram?" So I'm like, "I guess I have to put stuff out there to, you know, be able to..." Whatever. But I don't, I don't have time for that. I take care of two sick... You know, a mom who's sick and a brother who's sick. So the little bit of time I have, I'm trying to sleep or... Like I, I got away this weekend to the beach. So I was like, "Yay."

Moderator (00:48:29):

G1: CA, do you fo- do you try the new social media things? Or do you stick, pretty much stick to Instagram and Facebook or...

G1: CA (00:48:36):

Yeah. I pretty much stick to Facebook, Instagram, the, um, Nextdoor app.

Moderator (00:48:43):

Do you all follow any political figures on Instagram, Facebook?

G1: SE (00:48:46):

I do on Twitter.

Moderator (00:48:47):

You do on Twitter?

G1: SE (00:48:48):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:48:48):

Okay.

G1: SE (00:48:48):

I use Twitter just for that. Just for po- um, politics. I...

Moderator (00:48:51):

Oh, really?

G1: SE (00:48:51):

Yeah. I don't really go through the other stuff. But I'll like, um, follow senators, mayors, um, different news anchors and stuff like that, so.

Moderator (00:49:02):

G1: CA, do you use Twitter?

G1: CA (00:49:04):

No, no.

Moderator (00:49:04):

Mm-hmm. Okay. All right. Uh, all right. I wanna move to the next section. Again, not on your page, just me talking. Um, I wanna talk a little bit about, um, what it means to be a good citizen. I want you to tell me what, what is it... Not in the legal sense of being like, uh, uh, the word citizenship. But just like what does it mean to be a, a citizen in society? What, what are the most important duties and obligations that we have as a member of the society? So just put that out there and...

G1: L (00:49:33):

To be accountable and responsible. Doing this, um, to our, our fellow citizens and to our nation and our government. Just to be accountable and responsible. That's a big part of it, and respectful.

Moderator (00:49:46):

Yeah. Respectful?

G1: L (00:49:47):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:49:47):

I would say being aware. Just aware of like my life may not be the same as my next door neighbor's.

G1: L (00:49:53):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (00:49:54):

Just race or whatever, religion, whatever. It's being more aware.

G1: CN (00:49:58):

Acceptance. Yeah.

G1: SE (00:49:59):

Yeah.

G1: CN (00:49:59):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:50:00):

I think, I think this current, uh, climate, I think a lot of people are trying to play the victim. And it, it gets really annoying when you have a lot of people that feel like they should just get handouts in this country. And, and, and they don't wanna... Like all this PPP stuff. It's like that was a huge fraud and people are getting like arrested now, you know. They, they, they, they took advantage of this like real grassroots kinda system to, to help out employee, employees and employers. And, and they, and they just made a fraud of it. And it's like, like even like, like the Black Lives Matter movement, I heard like even some of the p- people in the upper ups there, all the money that went there leads to buying houses and cars and stuff. It's like they're not doing anything...

G1: SH (00:50:40):

Everyone's trying to get... What do they call it? Get rich quick scamming, scam.

G1: SN (00:50:46):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:50:46):

So say on this, on this PPP thing, do you think that's like a majority of what happened or you think that was a small minority? And what, what would you say?

G1: SN (00:50:53):

I'd say it's... I'd say 70%-

Moderator (00:50:55):

Right.

G1: SN (00:50:55):

... uh, is... uh, uh, was probably legitimate. Some real kind of shell company, shell employee, like real mastermind in...

Moderator (00:51:02):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:51:03):

And issue was also that some companies that had good accountants, had good lawyers could get it done like that. The businesses that didn't have that kind of infrastructure setup, they were struggling. And then when the money ran out, "Oh, sorry, the money's ran out."

G1: SE (00:51:15):

And I think it was awesome broadcasts to like, "Hey, come get your money. Come get some money."

G1: SN (00:51:18):

Yeah, yeah.

G1: SE (00:51:19):

And, like, you know?

G1: M (00:51:21):

But you guys really think, um, the US government doesn't know who got how much and they don't know anything?

G1: SE (00:51:26):

They know and they...

G1: M (00:51:28):

They like... Yeah. I mean, IRS, uh, knows things. So I mean, even there was a reason...

G1: SN (00:51:34):

So the IRS, so the I- IRS agents, right? And it was [inaudible 00:51:37].

G1: M (00:51:38):

They... They are... They, they gave you the money and they're gonna get it back with interest. But it's just a matter of time. And they gave it to the... There was a reason why they gave all this money knowing they're not just gonna... They know, there's, there are more like 10 barber shops owned by one person, and 100 employees. When his income for 1040 the year before was only 30,000 a year.

Moderator (00:51:55):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (00:51:55):

And just on 2020, he's making his gross revenues to \$2 million.

Moderator (00:51:56):

Right. Well, I wanna go about back to this notion of what it means to be a good citizen. Can we talk a little bit more about that, G1: CA? What, what does it mean to be a good citizen? What are the duties and obligations that you have as a member of society?

G1: CA (00:52:11):

Um, I'd say empathy. Um, I guess, because I've been, because I've seen and I've... I've seen what my parents have gone through and I've seen, um, like in my neighborhood, um, I guess the Latinos and the Hispanics, that they're not able to drive. So they ask you, you know, if they come looking for something, um, give, you know, help them out. So that's more in tune to when my mom and dad have always, I guess, said, "Help them out, you know. If they need a ride, give them a ride. Um, if you see them walking back from [inaudible 00:52:47] over, stop to the side and tell them to hop off." Um, obviously, I do it, you know. I'm not going to give a ride out to everybody, but I, I am mindful to see who's out there and who's not out there.

Um, when I have information like for the voting stuff, um, all these, um, people who have like there's this African group [inaudible 00:53:09], but I print it all out in Spanish. And I'll tell like my [foreign language 00:53:12], I would be like, "Okay, November 8, you have to, you know, make sure that if you can't go, tell me or tell my mom. You know, that, we'll take you. And here's all the information in Spanish. Take it." And then, you know, I know it's gonna get shared. So I guess, you know, little things like that that, you know, people don't really do or see but, you know, helping, helping out your neighbor.

Moderator (00:53:35):

Helping out your neighbor. G1: SH, what do you think a good citizen does or doesn't do?

G1: SH (00:53:40):

Um, I guess I'll speak on what doesn't do. Um, what do you mean like... I know, there's no right or wrong answers.

Moderator (00:53:53):

There's no right or wrong answers. Just what do you think our obligations are in the society?

G1: SH (00:53:58):

Times have changed. So I mean, technically, how I see it is just sailing my own way. Um, I'm an advocate for the things that I believe in and the things that I'm specialized in. And I work within those pockets.

Moderator (00:54:13):

Who do you advocate for? What does that mean? Is that, is that the role of a good citizen?

G1: SH (00:54:16):

For instance, like even as an educator, I'm very, very like tied to, connected to special education.

Moderator (00:54:25):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SH (00:54:26):

So let's say I'm just overhearing a parent having an issue that I don't even know and she's discussing her child that has Asperger's or ADHD, I'm going to reach out to help her.

Moderator (00:54:37):

Okay. So helping?

G1: SH (00:54:38):

Absolutely. I'm gonna be an advocate for that area.

Moderator (00:54:41):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SH (00:54:41):

So for me, primarily, I'm an advocate for, in helping other people in my areas of concentration.

Moderator (00:54:48):

Uh, G1: CA mentioned helping giving some information by helping but you didn't say voting itself. Is voting something that a good citizen does? Mm-hmm. Yes? [inaudible 00:54:59].

G1: SE (00:54:59):

I believe so.

G1: CA (00:55:01):

I believe so. I've, I've enrolled... I've, I've done that. I've done where, um, I've taken like, um, as soon as I know that you're able to vote, "Let's go, um, get you signed up. Let's get you..."

Moderator (00:55:12):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CA (00:55:12):

Um, that was the first thing I did when my son turned 18 and my niece turned... When... All of my family members, that was the first thing. I think I learned that at a young age because my mom was always... Um, my mom worked in grassroots. So I, I always saw that. I always saw my mom...

Moderator (00:55:29):

In, in grassroots like, specifically like... Do you know what grassroots, Latino grassroots?

G1: CA (00:55:33):

La- Latino grassroots, yeah, when we were younger. So, um, me seeing that I think it's just, you know, something that comes second nature. So every time, you know... And even, even, you know, even if they don't have a right, take them down, um, pick them down, and, you know or you know [inaudible 00:55:50] you know, to the county, um, but... That's like a rite of passage.

Moderator (00:55:56):

Well, if you guys feel a little differently. That's okay.

G1: L (00:55:58):

Oh, yeah. I was just saying a lot of people have been disenfranchised, uh, for voting. So I don't think necessarily it's indicative that because you vote, it makes you a good citizen. There's a lot of people that are seniors that can't vote, there's people that are disabled that can't vote. There's imprisoned people, there's people who have lost their voting rights for whatever reason. So I was just putting that in there.

Moderator (00:56:22):

Okay, okay. Well, what about something like jury duty? Do good citizens do jury duty?

G1: SE (00:56:28):

I've never been called for jury duty. But yeah.

G1: CN (00:56:30):

Yeah, it is. But it's annoying.

Moderator (00:56:32):

Oh, okay. Yeah.

G1: CN (00:56:34):

You know, i- it, it's, it's...

Moderator (00:56:35):

What's annoying about it? What makes it annoying?

G1: CN (00:56:37):

You know, you, you gotta fill out this form, you get picked, you go down there. And then you're sitting there all day. You, you... If you have a job, you get paid for the day. And they're supposed to pay for your day, your digital \$20 check from the court. If you're not employed, it misses you from a day of working. And just because you're unemployed doesn't mean they're gonna let you out of one. You know, jury duty. Um, then you're sitting there and you're listening to these lawyers and they're going back and forth. And it's just like... And, and I mean, the case that I was on, I was like, "This is such a stupid case. Why are we even in court for it?" You know?

Moderator (00:57:09):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:57:09):

Um, it... I'll do my duty and go to jury duty, but I will always find a way to try to get out of it. I'm just being honest.

Moderator (00:57:17):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:57:18):

You know? I, I don't want my time wasted.

Moderator (00:57:20):

G1: M, what do you think about it? What do you think about jury duty?

G1: M (00:57:22):

I mean, I think, um, everybody has basic rights. So I mean, the jury duty is like, well, somebody needs justice and a few will be called make a decision.

Moderator (00:57:33):

But [inaudible 00:57:34].

G1: M (00:57:33):

Then, uh, it might be a waste of time. Or for some, some person it will, might be life changing event. So I think if you can, do it. But everybody's different. So, um...

Moderator (00:57:45):

G1: CN, what do you think?

G1: CN (00:57:45):

Well, no. I was just, you know, gonna say... You said everybody has rights, and everybody... My thing is it's also based on opinion, too. That's... I mean, it kind of opini- opinion-ish 'cause if somebody does a crime and I'm against it... You hearing me?

Moderator (00:58:02):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (00:58:03):

I'm gonna be bia- I'm gonna be... You know?

G1: M (00:58:06):

Then you have a home jury.

Moderator (00:58:08):

What, what about protest? Do good citizens participate in protests?

G1: SN (00:58:12):

Peaceful protests.

Moderator (00:58:12):

Peaceful, absolutely.

G1: SH (00:58:13):

It's a waste of time.

Moderator (00:58:13):

What is, what is the-

G1: SH (00:58:13):

It's a waste of time.

Moderator (00:58:17):

Okay, it's a waste of time says G1: SH. Okay. S- G1: SN, what do you mean by, what do you mean by peaceful protests?

G1: SN (00:58:21):

I don't think so. It, it is, it is just...

Moderator (00:58:22):

What's peaceful protest to you?

G1: SN (00:58:23):

Peaceful, you know, like holding signs, maybe chanting a little bit.

Moderator (00:58:26):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (00:58:26):

You know, just making something, making people that aren't aware of something aware of it. I think that's peaceful protest.

G1: SE (00:58:30):

Yes. I think that's awareness.

G1: M (00:58:32):

I think electronic protest is better than being...

Moderator (00:58:35):

What is electronic protest?

G1: M (00:58:37):

Like social media or where you can reach more people within different countries or planets, rather than on the street.

Moderator (00:58:45):

G1: SH, you said it's a waste of time. What do you mean?

G1: SH (00:58:47):

Yeah. I believe in hitting, hitting the pockets. Like hit it where it hurts like you, we can't be talking about the same thing over and over again. So let's say you were mad at McDonald's because they're not serving large [inaudible 00:58:59]. Don't go.

Moderator (00:59:02):

Um, I'm start, I'm running a little short on time so I wanna try to get this next part real quickly. So just very quickly, uh, when did you register to vote? How did you become registered to vote?

Real quick [inaudible 00:59:14].

G1: L (00:59:13):

18.

Moderator (00:59:13):

18. And have like school or what? Like high school in school?

G1: L (00:59:14):

Yes. Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:59:16):

G1: SN, how did you get registered to vote?

G1: SN (00:59:18):

Somewhere in col- in college.

Moderator (00:59:19):

In college?

G1: SN (00:59:19):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:59:20):

Maybe like on campus or something? Do...

G1: SN (00:59:22):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:59:22):

Or you... Like you registered when you were in college?

G1: SN (00:59:24):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:59:25):

Okay. G1: CN?

G1: CN (00:59:25):

Um, uh, yeah, well, I guess in college, they've had a voting tribe, I think it was.

Moderator (00:59:31):

Okay. G1: SE?

G1: SE (00:59:32):

I was 18 at the DMV.

Moderator (00:59:34):

Would you went to get your driver's license?

G1: SE (00:59:36):

Um, no. I was doing... So I got my driver's license before that. But I was doing something and they're like doing Richmond Road. So yeah.

Moderator (00:59:42):

So you happen to be in line in the DMV of something and you were asked to the DMV?

G1: SE (00:59:45):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:59:46):

Okay. G1: CA?

G1: CA (00:59:47):

18. High school.

Moderator (00:59:49):

High school.

G1: CA (00:59:49):

Yeah. There was a regis-... There was, um, registration. Like voting registration.

Moderator (00:59:54):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CA (00:59:55):

Um, like little drives. Like it was like the Senior Week. And on one of the senior days was specifically for, for that. Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:00:02):

G1: M?

G1: M (01:00:02):

18, school.

Moderator (01:00:03):

School also? G1: SH?

G1: SH (01:00:06):

Campus, college campus.

Moderator (01:00:09):

Mm-hmm. Okay. Um, and just very quickly, thinking back to past elections when you voted, what do you remember about that election that made you really wanna vote? 'Cause I know sometimes we don't always vote in all elections. So you, some are more important than the others. Or maybe you vote at all, maybe you don't vote in any. What are some of the things that made you consider voting for one election versus not in another? G1: SN, we'll start with you.

G1: SN (01:00:39):

Yeah. Um, just past election, I, I just felt like it was a real...

Moderator (01:00:39):

The past one being the?

G1: SN (01:00:39):

The presidential election.

Moderator (01:00:39):

Presidential? Okay.

G1: SN (01:00:39):

Yeah. So it was a real like, like the Democratic Party was trying to sell this like dream to everybody. It was the biggest nightmare that we, that we got ourselves into. And, uh, I'm, I'm like... You know, there's a lot of broken promises that were made. But then I'm thinking of if, if, if, if, you know, if Trump won, you know, would do we still be in a situation... Like, like what does the president really, what [inaudible 01:01:02] really have, besides just being boisterous? Well, now, he's, he's just kind of quiet and kind of living his sentences.

Moderator (01:01:08):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:01:09):

But, you know, I feel like they're more of like a, a tool than, than a, than a decision making thing. So I mean, it's just, it almost, it almost looks good, to be honest.

Moderator (01:01:18):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:01:18):

Now Trump's trying to come back and it's like, everybody... You know, people that, that voted for Biden are gonna, are gonna vote. Or you hear people like, "Oh, I voted for Trump. Now even... I don't care. Like Biden isn't like..." It's like everyone's, it's all wishy washy and hypocritical. And, you know?

Moderator (01:01:32):

Has that always been that way?

G1: SN (01:01:33):

No, I think this was like a real, I think, I think it was like the biggest one. This is what started it

Moderator (01:01:38):

Mm-hmm.

G1: L (01:01:40):

With Trump or Biden?

G1: SN (01:01:42):

With Biden.

G1: L (01:01:42):

Oh, yeah.

G1: SN (01:01:44):

Yeah. Well, and Trump.

G1: SE (01:01:44):

I think 2016.

G1: SN (01:01:44):

In 2016?

G1: CN (01:01:44):

2016, it started.

G1: SN (01:01:44):

Yeah.

G1: SE (01:01:44):

Yeah.

G1: CN (01:01:48):

Yeah. That's when, that's when the circus started. Yeah. [inaudible 01:01:50]. We can, we, we cannot go to the circus.

Moderator (01:01:52):

Wait, one at a time, one at a time. G1: CN?

G1: CN (01:01:55):

I said I think that's when the circus started and we can't not not go to the circus 'cause we're living the circus. And so that's the way I kind of see it.

G1: L (01:02:01):

Yeah.

G1: CN (01:02:02):

It's just like... I feel like it's no longer about real politics. It's about, "Oh, well, you know, I got money, you know..."

G1: SE (01:02:09):

Popularity.

G1: CN (01:02:10):

Yeah, popularity. And, you know, they're not really listening to what needs to be done. They're just offering...

G1: SN (01:02:16):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CN (01:02:17):

Like, again, "Let's cover up... Let's see what we can sell them and blind them with. Instead of showing what we can really do."

Moderator (01:02:24):

What about elections that you maybe didn't participate in? What were some of the reasons why you just didn't vote in, in a particular election? Can you think of maybe you skipped one?

G1: SE (01:02:34):

Um, maybe more so the like, like county, like public officials? [inaudible 01:02:41]. Yeah. I didn't do the runoff in, in January. But, um, I don't know. I'm just... Uh, that one, that's something that I needed to do better on. I need to do more research on the, the more public elections.

G1: CN (01:02:55):

I do, too.

G1: SE (01:02:55):

'Cause I think those are the most important than these stupid presidential elections.

Moderator (01:02:59):

Do you think the, those, the local elections are more important than presidential?

G1: SE (01:03:01):

Yes.

Moderator (01:03:03):

Mm-hmm. G1: CA, is there an election that you haven't voted in or you pretty much voted in all?

G1: CA (01:03:07):

I, I vote in all. I do local. I just did the... I do the local and do the runoffs.

Moderator (01:03:11):

Mm-hmm.

G1: CA (01:03:11):

Um, I do it all.

Moderator (01:03:14):

Mm-hmm. Anybody else that you may-

G1: CN (01:03:15):

I missed the local ones. Um, don't even remember why I missed it. I missed it but at the runoffs, I did go home because I was like, "Oh my gosh, what's happening here?"

Moderator (01:03:23):

So when you talk to friends or family or other Latinos about like reasons why they may not vote, what are some of the things that you hear? I'm sure you got friends who don't vote.

G1: SE (01:03:34):

They don't care about us.

Moderator (01:03:34):

Yeah.

G1: SE (01:03:34):

That's what I hear. I don't, I don't agree with that.

G1: CN (01:03:39):

[inaudible 01:03:39] like Latinos.

Moderator (01:03:39):

Hispanic and Latino community.

G1: CN (01:03:40):

My dad used to say, "Why take one crook out and put another one in? You already know what this crook can do."

G1: SE (01:03:44):

Exactly.

G1: M (01:03:45):

Yeah.

G1: CN (01:03:45):

Yeah. So that was his mentality. He would, he would hate going... I mean, we would take him to go vote 'cause he never drove, but he was like, "Why am I gonna take one crook out to put another one in?" And he said, "Now, this crook, what you can do?" So.

Moderator (01:03:57):

Is there anything in the news going on right now that makes you feel more or less motivated, uh, to vote in this upcoming November election? Is there anything that's going on that's making you like...

G1: M (01:04:06):

A lot.

Moderator (01:04:07):

Like, uh, anything specific?

G1: M (01:04:09):

Abortion.

Moderator (01:04:10):

The abortion that's feeling like motivating you more to go vote?

G1: M (01:04:13):

Uh, not, not motivating more, but there's a lot going on though. Gun law.

Moderator (01:04:20):

Okay. Well, that's the question. The gun law.

G1: M (01:04:20):

Gun law, abortion. A lot of, um, things are gonna be challenging and...

G1: SE (01:04:25):

I'm very interested in this upcoming election just because of the things that Kemp has done.

Like he's been in offense as far as like the gun, like gun laws. Um, just being very loose with it.

So I, I'm gonna do exactly why I did it last time.

Moderator (01:04:38):

What about... 'Cause some of the things that have been going on lately, like the Trump investigation, anything that... Does that promise you more?

G1: M (01:04:44):

It's gonna be fine.

G1: SE (01:04:48):

Yeah. I just don't think anything's gonna ever happen to him as far as, um...

Moderator (01:04:50):

Actions?

G1: SE (01:04:51):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:04:52):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:04:53):

I mean, I'm wor- worried about what's going on Hunter Biden and all this cocaine use and what's going on with all that, all that stuff in that laptop and all the Ukraine business dealings. And why are, and why are they getting \$40 billion?

G1: SH (01:05:03):

Where did that, where did that come from? Right.

G1: SN (01:05:03):

Yeah.

G1: SH (01:05:03):

Where did that money come from?

Moderator (01:05:07):

And when did you... Where did you hear about it, G1: SN? Is it-

G1: SH (01:05:10):

We're just talking about it [inaudible 01:05:10].

Moderator (01:05:10):

Any news station or, or social media or...

G1: SN (01:05:13):
Yeah. It's on TikTok. It's on, you know, CNN.

G1: SH (01:05:15):
CNN.

G1: SN (01:05:15):
So, somethings about it. Fox News, you know. It's like put the limelight on them.

G1: SH (01:05:20):
Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:05:21):
They're actually in office right now. Trump's not even in office. Like what are you looking for?

G1: SH (01:05:25):
It's a distraction.

G1: SN (01:05:25):
Yeah.

G1: SH (01:05:26):
Okay. That's what I'm talking about, the distraction.

Moderator (01:05:31):
What's a dis-... It's a distraction from what?

G1: SH (01:05:32):
From Trump, Trump, Trump, Trump. No, no, no, no. Take care of what's going on with you people in there.

G1: SN (01:05:39):
Nancy Pelosi over inside- insider trading. She... I mean, how did she have \$150 million?

G1: SH (01:05:44):
Some of those stocks.

G1: SN (01:05:45):
Real estate. I mean, it's so, it's just, it's like blatantly corrupt. And when, when she was asked the question, "Hey, do you think politicians are... Have you ever used insider trading" or like something about like trading stocks and should senators not be allowed in stocks, "Have you ever traded stock based on to..." She didnt answer the question. Kind of maneuver there.

G1: SH (01:06:01):
Her and her husband.

G1: SN (01:06:03):
Yeah. I mean, that's just slugging.

G1: CA (01:06:06):
Yeah. Just worried about what's going on here.

G1: SH (01:06:08):
Yes. Take care of home.

G1: CA (01:06:08):
Right. Take care of home and I'll worry about the war.

G1: SH (01:06:09):
That's the thing.

G1: CA (01:06:09):
I mean, our gas prices, I mean...

G1: SH (01:06:11):

Absolutely.

G1: CA (01:06:12):

It's, you know, [inaudible 01:06:14].

G1: SN (01:06:15):

No respect probably 'cause he don't even shake Nancy Pelosi's hand when he was like in office. It was like also the funny scene where she tried to shake his hand, he doesn't 'cause he knows how corrupt she is. As far as all her...

Moderator (01:06:25):

Do you think Trump is corrupt?selfes

G1: SE (01:06:25):

Absolutely.

G1: CN (01:06:25):

They all are.

G1: SE (01:06:25):

I think they all are.

G1: SH (01:06:28):

[inaudible 01:06:28] but I, I'll tell you this much, I never liked him as a New Yorker but I love his truth, his honesty. He's not, he does not care. So keep talking 'cause I wanna know what's going on. Tell us the truth. You're not gonna hide it, tell us the truth just like you brought your paperwork home, dummy. But at least let me know that you're all... So keep talking. That's how I, I... That's what I appreciated about his, uh, was his honesty by accident you know. No filter, so.

Moderator (01:06:59):

Mm-hmm. Um, I'm gonna next talk a little bit more about the Democratic and, uh, Republican Party. So I want you to do open your workbook. Go to that next page. And I want you to write down everything that comes to mind when you think of the Republican... Democratic Party. I'm sorry. Democratic Party is on the top and Republican Party is on the bottom. It can be a sentence, it can be a word, it can be whatever you like it to be. But just what's the first thing comes to your mind when you think of the Democratic Party and the Republican Party? And as you all are filling that out, I'm just curious when, when G1: M talked about, um, electronic protest.

G1: M (01:08:18):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:08:19):

Um, uh, has anybody here participated in electronic protest?

G1: M (01:08:24):

It's like arguing. It's like arguing with amateurs with no information.

Moderator (01:08:28):

Mm-hmm. So basically, it's posting on social media [inaudible 01:08:31]?

G1: M (01:08:32):

It's like, it's like everybody is a scientist [inaudible 01:08:35] or everybody's a doctor. So like I don't have time to argue with people who don't have enough knowledge like me.

Moderator (01:08:41):

Okay.

G1: M (01:08:41):

So... But do you-

Moderator (01:08:41):

But I read it.

G1: M (01:08:41):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:08:41):

And I get everything.

G1: M (01:08:45):

But do you engage, you exchange...

Moderator (01:08:46):

I'm never engaged, I will never engage.

G1: M (01:08:48):

Okay. You don't.

Moderator (01:08:49):

It's just waste of time.

G1: SE (01:08:49):

I don't ever read it. It pisses me off.

G1: CN (01:08:52):

Yeah.

G1: SN (01:08:52):

One, one... Uh, another thing I wanted, I wanted to get into as far as... I forgot to mention this, it's like when the whole Coronavirus is happening, they kept telling me, "Get the vaccine, get the vaccine." And then boom, everyone got the vaccine and boom, people are still getting Coronavirus.

Moderator (01:09:03):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:09:03):

And then boom. It's like, it's like, "Oh, now you need two shots." "Oh, you're gonna, you're gonna get Coronavirus. Even get the third shot." "Oh, 94 shots."

Moderator (01:09:10):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:09:10):

It's like... That to me, it was just a huge like, like just gaslighting people. Like they made you think that you won't, you won't get it. So like it, it, it's not a vaccine.

Moderator (01:09:19):

When you say who, they, who is they?

G1: SE (01:09:21):

I don't think that one [inaudible 01:09:22].

G1: SN (01:09:23):

Pfizer, the government. Corona vac-

G1: M (01:09:25):

Vaccine, it's not a cure. Vaccine is, uh, prevention. If you know healthcare or you have any educational background in healthcare or you have family in healthcare, vaccine is to prevention. It's not a cure. Like there is no cure for certain disease. Coronavirus, they don't have a cure, like-

G1: SN (01:09:40):

Yeah. But, you know, if you get your MMR vaccine, that's a vaccine. You get the polio vaccine, that's a vaccine.

G1: M (01:09:45):

But it's, it's, it's, uh, 99% probability vaccine. So one person, it won't be effective. So there is one person [inaudible 01:09:52]. Coronavirus is 70%, 80%. So 20... You're still gonna get it. It just like you will still get a flu if you get a flu shot. People have...

G1: SH (01:10:01):

But you notice they didn't, they, they didn't tell the people that.

G1: M (01:10:04):

But it will help... People need to educate themselves.

G1: SH (01:10:05):

They wanted more. [inaudible 01:10:06]

Moderator (01:10:06):

Yeah. All right. I'm gonna, I'm gonna stop there, 'cause I really wanna go back to this stuff here, guys. So make sure you write down your stuff. Thank you for that very lively discussion. I appreciate that. But I wanna talk a little bit about, you know, the rights of things when you think... What's the first thing comes to mind when you put Democratic Party? And what's the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the Republican Party? And I just I wanna go, uh, a- and talk a little bit about this, um, and see what were some of the words that you've written down. What do you think? Um, we'll start with you, G1: SH. What, what are some of the things that you put up in the Democratic Party? What did you write down?

G1: SH (01:10:38):

It's like corrupt, sneaky, secretive, controlling, deceptive, gaslighters in their game.

Moderator (01:10:45):

Mm-hmm. Okay.

G1: SH (01:10:48):

That's it.

Moderator (01:10:49):

G1: M, what did you put on your Democratic Party?

G1: M (01:10:50):

Just one, they focus on building the country and more liberal.

Moderator (01:10:54):

More liberal? Okay. And when, when you say liberal, what does that mean to you? What is liberal?

G1: M (01:11:01):

I mean, they take everybody's right into consideration. Not... They don't mix, I think, religion with politics.

Moderator (01:11:09):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (01:11:09):

So I think they're more like liberal in terms of like say abortion, gay rights, all the like human, uh, rights, I would say.

Moderator (01:11:16):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (01:11:17):

Uh, they're not smart in business or, you know, taking care of the economy, I would say.

Moderator (01:11:22):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (01:11:22):

But in other like social, uh, justice, or, you know, like them, uh, slightly more, better educated than the other one.

Moderator (01:11:29):

Mm-hmm. And what makes you say they're not good at business? Because...

G1: M (01:11:32):

Uh, I think they, they don't, they lack the business, uh, you know, side where, um, they're not bi- they're not entrepreneurs, I think so, uh, in, in terms of like the, the party itself. I mean, you know, um, I think the other party is more built with entrepreneurs or like backed by it, uh, more entrepreneurial.

Moderator (01:11:50):

Okay, G1: CA, what did you write on the Democratic Party?

G1: CA (01:11:52):

I wrote rights, liberal, um, pro bono.

Moderator (01:11:56):

Pro bono. What does... And what does liberal mean to you?

G1: CA (01:11:59):

Um, someone, as G1: M was saying, um, as far as their, like, um, their stance on abortion, um, their stance on, uh, gun reform, their stance on immigration. Um, they, they know what they want for those particular subjects.

Moderator (01:12:20):

Do, do you think they've kept their promise on immigration?

G1: CA (01:12:23):

No.

Moderator (01:12:24):

Okay. Okay. Um, G1: SE, what did you write into Democratic Party?

G1: SE (01:12:29):

I wrote, um, inclusive, but also telling you what you wanna hear so it's only a dream, and then also corrupt and, um, quite liberal.

Moderator (01:12:37):

Mm-hmm. And when you say liberal, what does that mean to you?

G1: SE (01:12:39):

Um, just... I feel like the, the... For example, the Republican Party, to me, they're stuck in like the older ways. And then the Democrat Party is the more, um, times are changing and the, the more just falling, going with times and, um, human rights. Like one of the things, abortion, um, the gun

laws and, um, just different gay right, uh, gay marriage rights and all that. Um, something that the other party doesn't really agree with that.

Moderator (01:13:11):

So you see the Democratic Party moving in the, sort of the right direction in those particular [inaudible 01:13:15]?

G1: SE (01:13:14):

In those... Yeah.

Moderator (01:13:17):

Okay. Mm-hmm. Okay. And what about the economy?

G1: SE (01:13:19):

Um, like I said, with everything going on, like no, they didn't keep any of those promises with the economy. Like, they just tell you what you want to hear.

Moderator (01:13:27):

Okay. G1: CN, what did you write down for us?

G1: CN (01:13:29):

I was real simple. I said somewhat weak and puppets.

Moderator (01:13:32):

Mm-hmm. Somewhat weak and puppets. And who are pulling the strings?

G1: CN (01:13:35):

That's what I don't know.

Moderator (01:13:36):

Mm-hmm. You don't know?

G1: CN (01:13:38):

Yeah. It, it's, it's, you know, it's, to me, Biden is just going out there and say, you know... I'm sorry. Uh, I mean, I vote...

Moderator (01:13:45):

Reading a script.

G1: CN (01:13:45):

Right. "It's, it's a script. I'm just gonna read it." You know, do I believe it or not? I don't know but...

G1: SN (01:13:51):

[inaudible 01:13:51] you can read a script?

G1: CN (01:13:52):

You know? Hey, but he's reading something, you know.

Moderator (01:13:56):

Right.

G1: CN (01:13:56):

He's trying to read what, what they're giving him, but he did better than Trump, you know, um, you know. It's just like I feel like... When I was younger, I feel like the Democratic Party was stronger and it had, it stood for something. Now, to me, there's just like...

Moderator (01:14:10):

What did they stand for before?

G1: CN (01:14:12):

When I was younger? I mean, um... Yeah. It was like everybody was, you know, "We're gonna get everybody together. We're gonna do this. We... And, and, and we are all one." Or at least when I was younger, it felt like, "We heard you. We acknowledged you." Now without even acknowledging you, you know. We... Like...

Moderator (01:14:28):

You as a, a female or a Latina or what?

G1: CN (01:14:30):

Well, everything as a person. Just as a human. You know what I mean? You... When I was younger, you know, my mom would talk about, you know, you know, the elections and stuff, but she was... My dad always never voted on it. But my mom would say, "Hey, you know, we, we did this and we're doing that." But now I feel like it's, it's just not there. It's like, it's, I, I can't even explain this, like they're not... They're in Washington and they're in their own little bubble, and everybody else is in this other bubble. And unless you're in that bubble, we don't care what you're... We're gonna say we care, but we really don't care about you.

Moderator (01:15:02):

You've seen the Democratic Party change?

G1: CN (01:15:05):

Yeah, it's... And it's changed and they're, and they're trying to go with the flow with how times are changing with, you know, you know, with gay rights and stuff. Uh, they're trying. But I don't think that they're...

Moderator (01:15:13):

Uh, has, has the Republican Party... I'm sorry to cut off you. But you don't think they are...

G1: CN (01:15:18):

No, I don't think that they believe it themselves. They're just saying things.

Moderator (01:15:23):

What about the Republican Party? Have you seen that change? And we'll get to Republican Party.

G1: CN (01:15:26):

No. Republicans are the, they're stuck in the '50s. I'm sorry.

Moderator (01:15:28):

Okay. G1: SN. what did you write on, on, on Democrat?

G1: SN (01:15:33):

Broken promises, Jeffrey Epstein and the Clintons.

Moderator (01:15:37):

Okay. And what, why don't you put Jeffrey Epstein?

G1: SN (01:15:43):

I just feel like there's something that we don't know that was going on between Epstein, the Clintons.

Moderator (01:15:45):

Okay. So you see... There was something there, but it was never reported. And when you think of the Democratic Party, that's what you think of?

G1: SN (01:15:52):

I just think that, of that culture.

Moderator (01:15:53):

Of that culture?

G1: SN (01:15:53):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:15:53):

And that culture is, what's that?

G1: SN (01:15:56):

I cant even put it into words, but just some dirty stuff.

Moderator (01:15:58):

Dirty?

G1: SN (01:16:01):

Just, let's say [inaudible 01:16:02]. It's like really just like, just, you don't...

Moderator (01:16:04):

You don't trust it?

G1: SN (01:16:04):

Don't trust it. And doing some weird stuff, kind of seen secret societies, um...

Moderator (01:16:07):

Okay. G1: L, what did you put on, on the Democrat?

G1: L (01:16:09):

I put socialist values.

Moderator (01:16:13):

Socialist values?

G1: L (01:16:14):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:16:19):

Okay. And what does that mean to you? Socialist values?

G1: L (01:16:19):

That means that, um...

Moderator (01:16:19):

Is that a positive thing or a negative thing? I'll start there.

G1: L (01:16:22):

I'm in the middle. So I'm a little bit, uh, democratic, but I'm mostly Republican. So I'm, I'm considered a moderate, I think is what they call it. So, um, socialism to me is more based on the community. And it's the opposite of the antithesis of picking yourself up by your own bootstraps. It's more of a collective effort and a collective consciousness to get things done. And ask, "Well, maybe you don't have any bootstraps. Maybe your hand is amputated. Maybe you weren't born with bootstraps." It's asking those questions.

Moderator (01:16:58):

Mm-hmm.

G1: L (01:16:58):

And so I think we need that, that balance between the two. Because it's important, because we're not in an equal playing field as a Hispanic. And the United States, I can say the playing field is not even. So it was important to have that balance between both parties to ask.

Moderator (01:17:16):

What, what did you put under Republican? Let's go... G1: SH, what did you write at the Republican?

G1: SH (01:17:21):

I said money hungry, pest control, just counter and flip thing, placed a lot of restrictions, aggressive, extremely old and wealthy. Stingy, keep the rich richer and the poor poorer.

Moderator (01:17:33):

Okay. G1: M, what did you write?

G1: M (01:17:36):

Conservative, traditional.

Moderator (01:17:37):

Conservative and traditional. And what does conservative mean to you?

G1: M (01:17:40):

Old ideas.

Moderator (01:17:40):

Old ideas?

G1: M (01:17:40):

Stuck in, stuck in old ideas. I don't know. More traditional.

Moderator (01:17:40):

Cristina?

G1: CA (01:17:47):

Constraints. Constraints.

Moderator (01:17:50):

Constraints?

G1: CA (01:17:51):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:17:51):

Okay.

G1: CA (01:17:52):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:17:52):

That's what you wrote down?

G1: CA (01:17:53):

Constraints.

Moderator (01:17:53):

Okay, constraints. Anything else?

G1: CA (01:17:55):

Let's talk illegal. Like, uh, some of the things that they, um, some of the things that they do, I just find that it's not the right legal way to do things.

Moderator (01:18:08):

Okay. G1: SE, what did you write down?

G1: SE (01:18:10):

Um, selfish, money hungry, uh, corrupt, and just old, stuck in the old, old ways.

Moderator (01:18:15):

Old ways.

G1: SE (01:18:16):

And then, um, I also put race- racist on here.

Moderator (01:18:19):

You put racist?

G1: SE (01:18:20):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:18:20):

Okay.

G1: SE (01:18:20):

Just 'cause of my experience.

Moderator (01:18:23):

Okay. Uh, G1: CN, what did you put?

G1: CN (01:18:24):

Again, uh, non-realistic, tax evader, Trump craziness and old ways.

Moderator (01:18:29):

And old ways? G1: SN, what did you put?

G1: SN (01:18:31):

It just put telling it as it is, no fluff, right to the point or even, even if it hurts, it's gonna... they're gonna say it. That's it.

Moderator (01:18:37):

They're gonna say it. So you feel like if you had to say, if you had to talk about which party is the most honest, you would probably-

G1: SN (01:18:44):

Republican.

Moderator (01:18:45):

... [inaudible 01:18:45] the Republican as most honest to you?

G1: SN (01:18:46):

Yes.

Moderator (01:18:47):

Okay. G1: L, what did you write down?

G1: L (01:18:48):

Christians, southern, conservative, white, male dominant.

Moderator (01:18:52):

Mm-hmm. What, what are you... What, what does conservative mean to you? What does that mean?

G1: L (01:18:56):

Uh, like, like somebody said in the group already, just sticking to the, uh, old ways of doing things very traditional.

Moderator (01:19:04):

Mm-hmm. So are the parties, are they doing anything to kind of handle the situation of rising costs and inflation right now? Do you see them doing anything to, to address the issue of raising costs?

G1: SN (01:19:15):

They're just putting each other down.

Moderator (01:19:17):

They're just putting each other down?

G1: SH (01:19:18):

[inaudible 01:19:18] their focus in the Ukraine.

G1: SN (01:19:22):

I think it's more of the corporations that are mitigating that.

G1: M (01:19:23):

Corporations or control represent by lobbyists or lobbyists. Like a... In the end, I mean, corporation only do things when there are laws that allow them to do those.

Moderator (01:19:36):

G1: SE, were you gonna say something?

G1: SE (01:19:38):

I just, uh, I just find it... I laugh every time I hear somebody say, "Oh, you know, screw Biden 'cause of these gas prices." I'm like, "I don't think Biden's like in charge or in control of the gas price."

G1: SN (01:19:49):

Well, it's kinda he close the pipeline so yes, he is a lot in control of our gas prices going up.

G1: SE (01:19:54):

Okay.

Moderator (01:19:55):

What about, uh, this recent Inflation, uh, the, the re- Inflation Reduction Act? Have you all heard of the Inflation Reduction Act?

G1: M (01:20:04):

Yes, yes.

Moderator (01:20:04):

Is it, uh... If you've heard of the Reduction Inflation Act, raise your hand. So only G1: M, uh, has. Okay.

G1: SH (01:20:09):

I haven't read about it.

Moderator (01:20:10):

You haven't heard anything about it?

G1: SH (01:20:11):

Yeah. I've read into it.

Moderator (01:20:12):

Oh, oh, but you have heard... Okay.

G1: M (01:20:13):

I think they incre-... Uh, it's like they're gonna produce more electric [inaudible 01:20:19], you want electric credit. Uh, they want you to drive electric cars to create more job.

G1: L (01:20:23):

Oh, they control.

G1: M (01:20:24):

And so, so they wanna switch the gas to electric so that way, they can control inflation on the gas side.

Moderator (01:20:28):

Mm-hmm.

G1: M (01:20:29):

They're gonna give, uh, more money to corporation on green energy and all that stuff.

Moderator (01:20:34):

So which party do you feel you align with more and, and other particular issues that make you feel that way? Which, which part did you align with more and what issue is making you feel like you should be aligned with them in that particular way? And we're gonna have differences of opinion and we're gonna be respectful. So, um, G1: SE, you want to start with you?

G1: SE (01:20:53):

Um, I guess, I would say I was being able to think of it, think about it like this, like choose the lesser or did the lesser of all evils, the Democrat Party.

Moderator (01:21:01):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (01:21:02):

Um, just because I feel like the other party is just stuck in old ways. And at this point, we're just ready for these old men in, in charge, just die out. I just got to be honest.

Moderator (01:21:13):

Mm-hmm. And who's gonna take their place?

G1: SE (01:21:15):

Um, somebody with, uh... Just somebody with a...

G1: SH (01:21:20):

I think it has definitely changed with the next generation.

G1: SE (01:21:25):

The, the next generation, I think there's hope with the next one. So we'll see on that one.

Moderator (01:21:31):

Okay. Um, G1: SN, which party do you feel you, um, have more aligned with more? And, and what particular issue do, do you align with more?

G1: SN (01:21:41):

You know, initially, I was really pro Democrat. And, and I thought, you know, things were gonna pick up this, this, really the next four years. But when, when I started just like kind of like dissecting it, you know, and they're like holding this [inaudible 01:21:53] of like student loan forgiveness in front of a lot of people's faces, they haven't done anything, forgive any student loans. I think they just keep talking about it and rehashing it. And again, another broken promise. So it's like now I'm losing faith to them. So now I'm more aligned with Republicans. 'Cause they're saying, "No, we're not gonna forgive your student loans." And I appreciate that. Don't, don't toy us. Don't toy with our emotions.

Moderator (01:22:11):

Okay. Mm-hmm.

G1: SN (01:22:11):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:22:14):

Mm-hmm. Uh, G1: CA, which party do you feel aligned with?

G1: CA (01:22:16):

Um, Democratic, um, just because they're more in line with their particular, um... Like with gun reform and the abortion.

Moderator (01:22:27):

Mm-hmm. Uh, we're gonna get to the, to the next sort of last part. And I appreciate you letting me hold you over a little bit more.

G1: SN (01:22:32):

I gotta go.

Moderator (01:22:33):

You gotta...

G1: L (01:22:33):

Yeah, I do, too. I do, too.

Moderator (01:22:34):

Can I just ask this one quick question?

G1: L (01:22:36):

Sure.

Moderator (01:22:36):

Um, h- how many have a positive view of the Democratic Party? Raise your hand if you have a positive view of the Democratic Party. Okay. What... How many have a... That was one, two, three, four, five. Uh, how many people have a positive view of the Republican Party? Uh, just three?

G1: SE (01:22:54):

I mean, uh, I'm torn. I'm not torn, but I, I can see the good, some of the good in the Republican.

Moderator (01:22:58):

Okay, great. Well, I appreciate you, um, taking the time off. So just quick... As you all... Leave your stuff here. As you make your way out of, uh, there's another group coming in. So please don't mention this.

G1: SE (01:23:07):

Okay.

Moderator (01:23:09):

I'd appreciate that. Uh, and for those that can, that are still here, if you've got a minute, if you can fill out that last sheet on the form here, if you can just stay for two seconds [inaudible 01:23:19] to fill out. Um, pretend that you're trying to convince someone who's lucky enough to register to vote. What would you tell them? And then you're trying to convince them to vote in the upcoming November general election. Uh, and also, would you guys... Um, so, uh, we have groups tomorrow of folks that are citizens but they're not registered to vote. We're still recruiting.

Um, so if there's anyone that you know that's Latino, that's a citizen, eligible to vote but they're not registered, if there's anyone that you know, um, if you could let us know, um, that same... It pays the same, \$125. So if there's anyone that you know, you could send them our way. Um, I'm not sure if you could maybe speak to the person that told you and you call them back and let them know. You give them information.

It's gonna be here but it'll be tomorrow at 6:00 PM. Uh, same, the same thing, 6:00 to 7:30 max. So if there's anyone you know that's eligible to vote but is not registered to vote, uh, please send them our way. We're, we're still... Um, we're a little short on the recruitment there so we could use a hand if, if you know anyone.

G1: M (01:24:32):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:24:33):

Great. Well, thank you all so much.

G1: SE (01:24:35):

Thank you.

G1: CA (01:24:35):

[inaudible 01:24:35].

G1: SE (01:24:35):

Uh, um, so she's right, uh, boulevard, past the CVS so right off, um... Right next to Grant Park.

There's an entrance right next to Grant Part.

G1: CN (01:24:49):

Are you looking to buy a house? Are you looking for a [inaudible 01:24:52]?

G1: SE (01:24:51):

No, not in the moment.

G1: CN (01:24:53):

[inaudible 01:24:53].

G1: SE (01:24:53):

Okay.

G1: CN (01:24:55):

And that's how I got my house and I got less than [inaudible 01:24:57].

G1: SE (01:24:57):

Okay, cool.

G1: CN (01:24:58):

'Cause I mean, it was a while ago.

G1: SE (01:24:59):

Yeah. Thank you.

G1: CN (01:25:01):

But look into them. It's, it's a great program.

G1: SE (01:25:01):

Thank you. Thank you.

G1: CN (01:25:02):

Goodbye, everyone.

Moderator (01:25:03):

Bye. Thank you.

G1: SE (01:25:08):

G1: SH, where do you work? As far as, um... You said special education?

G1: SH (01:25:13):

I was at Brookhaven and [inaudible 01:25:15].

G1: SE (01:25:16):

Okay.

G1: SH (01:25:17):

Mm-hmm.

G1: SE (01:25:17):

'Cause I have a friend who was just telling me this weekend that she's having trouble with her, uh, five-year-old and that the school is not helping her out anyway.

G1: SH (01:25:23):

[inaudible 01:25:23] the school is [inaudible 01:25:24].

G1: SE (01:25:24):

Hol- In Cobb County. It's Hollydale Elementary.

G1: SH (01:25:26):

Uh, follow me on Instagram so I can send you... Does she live in Cobb?

G1: SE (01:25:31):

Yes.

G1: SH (01:25:32):

Okay, follow me so I could send you my son's former school. They have a school here in, off of... You know where Westminster is in? Oh, his, his school's school is [inaudible 01:25:49], but they have one in Cobb.

G1: SE (01:25:52):

Okay.

G1: SH (01:25:52):

So there's a district in Cobb.

G1: SE (01:25:54):

Okay.

G1: SH (01:25:55):

But they're the best as far as I've seen taking care of...

G1: SE (01:25:59):

Yeah. 'Cause I mean... Well, they've been in school two weeks and they've sent him home three times. It's just like, "Why are you gonna send him home? What am I..."

G1: SH (01:26:04):

And it's... And that's the new thing. Those teachers are [inaudible 01:26:06].

G1: SE (01:26:05):

Yeah. They're home.

G1: SH (01:26:07):

They teach [inaudible 01:26:08].

G1: SE (01:26:09):

Yeah, it's crazy. The... And they just look at it as like just being disruptive. And I, I don't know if you're familiar with DevRel Be- Behavioral Health I did a lot of work with them. And like one of the things that was just like mind blowing, eye opening was like these aren't bad kids. Like they're not, they just have...

G1: CA (01:26:25):

Can we take this?

Moderator (01:26:26):

I think... You can take them. They're gonna [inaudible 01:26:28].

G1: SE (01:26:28):

Um, what's your Instagram?

G1: SH (01:26:35):

It's she_is_justG1: SH. [inaudible 01:26:35].

G1: SE (01:26:36):
If you know anyone that can be [inaudible 01:26:36] tomorrow. Okay, cool. she_isjustG1:
SHcolton?
G1: SH (01:26:40):
Yes.
G1: SE (01:26:40):
Okay, cool. I'll follow you in them. Thank you.
G1: SH (01:26:43):
Thank you. Nice meeting you.
G1: SE (01:26:44):
You, too.
G1: SH (01:26:44):
[inaudible 01:26:44] it's like French [inaudible 01:26:48].
G1: SE (01:26:47):
Bye.
G1: SH (01:26:50):
Okay.
Moderator (01:26:50):
Um, my family is on the east side, um, near the, um, at the Metrodome.
G1: CA (01:26:55):
Uh, what is the, um... AT&T?
Moderator (01:26:57):
Yes.
G1: CA (01:26:57):
Yeah.
Moderator (01:26:58):
Yes.
G1: CA (01:26:58):
Yeas, uh, is getting... Speaking of housing, that area is...
Moderator (01:27:01):
That is getting... Yeah, I know.
G1: CA (01:27:01):
Yeah, yeah.
Moderator (01:27:01):
Thank you for coming tonight.
G1: CA (01:27:01):
All right. Thank you.
Moderator (01:27:01):
Thank you so much for your time.
G1: SH (01:27:01):
You're welcome.
Moderator (01:27:01):
I appreciate you.
G1: SH (01:27:01):

Have a good evening.
Moderator (01:27:01):
You, too.

GEORGIA GROUP 2 TRANSCRIPT

Latino Un-Registered Citizens

Moderator (00:00:00):

[inaudible 00:00:00]. Hi.

G2: I (00:00:00):

Hi.

Moderator (00:00:22):

Oh, [inaudible 00:00:22] earbud?

G2: R (00:00:22):

Yeah, yeah.

Moderator (00:00:47):

(laughs) I'm sorry, I have two more people coming, and you could pick your name tag, place where I can see them. Hi, how are you, guys? [inaudible 00:00:47]. How are you today?

G2: S (00:00:47):

How are you?

Moderator (00:00:51):

Good, good. Well, my name is Laura, and I am the Moderator for today's group, um... Have you all ever done a focus group before?

G2: S (00:00:55):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:00:56):

You have before, G2: S? Have [inaudible 00:00:58]?

G2: R (00:00:59):

No, no.

Moderator (00:00:59):

No. No, no. Well, it's a, it's a pretty thing. Uh, the ideas that we just surround have conversation by asking questions and I've got a little guide here that's [inaudible 00:01:07] our conversation. Um, just a couple of ground rules. Um, I am recording this so that way I don't have to sit and try to take notes of what y'all are saying. That gives me an opportunity to later watch the video, um, but I tell you this for couple of reasons; one, so that you'll speak in a voice as loud as mine so the recording will get done. Uh, but then also, just so you know that we just used for the purposes of research. So we don't put on the internet or anything like that, uh, it's all just stays for the purposes of research. And when we write the report, we'll never refer to any of you by name. We just referred to you by your, uh, uh, like initial.

Moderator (00:01:40):

So I say that so they'll be as open and honest as possible in our very discussion today. Uh, and also, um, we're gonna be talking about some people and some organizations, different org-things, if you will, and, um, I want you to know I don't have any association with any of the things that we're gonna be talking about. Uh, I'm an independent researcher. So, um, I- I said that also so that you'll be open and honest as possible. So [inaudible 00:02:04] feeling you will hurt my feelings if you say something good or bad or whatever about what we're talking about. So just know that I don't really care. (laughs) I'm just here doing, doing the research.

Moderator (00:02:13):

Um, and before we get starte- and also during the group, you can jump in and just add your comments, you don't have to wait for me to call on you. But I do wanna hear from everybody so we can't just sit here and be quiet. [inaudible 00:02:25] speak so I might call on you, but don't wait for me to call on you. If you wanna chime, you know, say something, go ahead and just say it, you don't need to wait, it's like we're kinda sitting around, chillin'. Um, but I do wanna go around the room just this one time and introduce yourselves, and just a little bit about your family life and how long you've lived in Atlanta, Georgia or the Georgia area, Atlanta Area?

Moderator (00:02:45):

I'll start. My name is Laura. Um, I do not live in Atlanta. (laughs) I don't live in Georgia. I live in Texas. So I- I [inaudible 00:02:52] I travel and get to do this all over the country and it's a lot of fun and talk about cool people and talk about a whole bunch of things. So, um, I'm married, I don't have any kids. I have a dog and a cat, and I was joking as if my cat lets me live in the house because she's (laughs) she runs place. She's, uh, a treat monster. She likes to have her treats all the time. Uh, and that's [inaudible 00:03:14]. So and we'll start here with you, G2: S. Just tell us a little bit about yourself, how long you've lived in Atlanta?

G2: S (00:03:19):

[inaudible 00:03:19] G2: S. I've been in Georgia for about five years.

Moderator (00:03:23):

Okay. Make, make sure you speak up, G2: S, so I can hear you, okay?

G2: S (00:03:26):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:03:26):

Yeah.

G2: S (00:03:27):

Um, I've been in Georgia for about five years.

Moderator (00:03:29):

Uh-huh.

G2: S (00:03:29):

I am here with my husband and two boys. Um, Hunter and Austin, they're five and six, and I am a fitness, um, I do the operations for, uh, my husband's, uh, gym.

Moderator (00:03:45):

Oh, cool. Cool. Okay. Thanks for being here today, okay?

G2: S (00:03:48):

[inaudible 00:03:48].

G2: J (00:03:49):

Yeah. I'm, I'm G2: J. I live here is a rest of whole life.

G2: S (00:03:53):

Uh-huh.

G2: J (00:03:54):

[inaudible 00:03:54]. Um, I, I live from my family and two brothers and uncle, mom and dad. And I'm just getting ready for a college basically. I just graduate high school [inaudible 00:04:07].

Moderator (00:04:07):

Oh, you just graduate from high school?

G2: J (00:04:08):

Yes, high school.

Moderator (00:04:09):

Oh, wow! Wow! Cool. Well, congratulations. Thanks-

G2: J (00:04:11):

[inaudible 00:04:11].

Moderator (00:04:12):

... thanks for being here.

G2: I (00:04:14):

[inaudible 00:04:14], my name is G2: I. I've been in Atlanta for like four months now. Um, I moved here with my boyfriend and his dog. I worked from home for a finance company. Um, so he's the greatest co-worker I could have, you know?

Moderator (00:04:28):

(laughs)

G2: R (00:04:28):

(laughs)

G2: I (00:04:30):

Um, but yeah.

Moderator (00:04:30):

Okay. And then last.

G2: R (00:04:34):

Uh, my name is G2: R. Uh-

Moderator (00:04:37):

That's your first name?

G2: R (00:04:38):

Yes, ma'am.

Moderator (00:04:38):

(laughs)

G2: R (00:04:38):

Uh-

Moderator (00:04:38):

(laughs) Usually that's a last name, right?

G2: I (00:04:38):

Yeah.

G2: R (00:04:42):

Yes, yes, yes, yes. I'm a just from Panama.

Moderator (00:04:43):

Oh, okay.

G2: R (00:04:47):

Um, my father is a African American, but, um, been here in Atlanta for about eight years. Uh, moved from Birmingham, Alabama. Uh, anyhow, [inaudible 00:04:57] the south, you know about, uh, Alabama football so [inaudible 00:05:01]. And, um, married. Uh, married four or five years and I have two kids.

Moderator (00:05:12):

[inaudible 00:05:12]?

G2: R (00:05:13):

Uh, five and then seven.

Moderator (00:05:17):

Oh, [inaudible 00:05:17] little?

G2: R (00:05:17):

Mm-hmm. Right.

Moderator (00:05:20):

Oh, cool. Well, we're gonna get started today. There's a piece of paper in front of you, if you could write your, your name on there, if you haven't already. And, um, then turn in the first and second page and there's a [inaudible 00:05:32] list of issues. And I want you to test through and each one, rate for you how important this issue is to you on a scale from 0 to 10, where zero is not important and 10 is very important. And, uh, there's two pages of this. So I want you to go through and rate each the two pages, but then when you're done, I want you to put a star next to one out of the two pages that is absolutely the most important to you, okay? So look at the two pages and one that is the absolute most important to you, just, uh, put a little star next to it, then we'll talk about it. Just take a minute to fill that out.

G2: S (00:07:02):

Just one?

Moderator (00:07:03):

It's just the two pages.

G2: S (00:07:04):

Yeah. Just that one [inaudible 00:07:06]-

Moderator (00:07:06):

Yeah, just one star out of the two pages. Right. So just pick one out of the two pages that's the most important to you.

G2: R (00:07:14):

I mean, you got on the second page right here, abortion.

Moderator (00:07:15):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:07:19):

Um, do you mean abortion?

Moderator (00:07:20):

Just as that as an issue [inaudible 00:07:20]-

G2: R (00:07:20):

As an issue.

Moderator (00:07:21):

... not, uh, as how important is to you. Um-

Speaker X (00:07:25):

[inaudible 00:07:25].

Moderator (00:07:25):

... as an issue.

G2: R (00:07:26):

Okay.

Moderator (00:07:26):

It's not whether or not you support it or not. It's just as an issue, how important is it to you?

G2: R (00:07:31):

[inaudible 00:07:31].

Moderator (00:07:31):

Just the whole discussion of abortion.

G2: R (00:07:32):

Okay.

Moderator (00:07:32):

It's just two pages and then out of those two pages mark the one that is, put a star next to the one that's the most important of all those two pages. Cool. All right. Everybody done? Okay, all right. I wanna go around the room and talk about one of the, you know, some of the things you give marked. But we'll start by, um, looking at, uh, which one you mark with the star. So G2: S, which, which one did you put a star next to?

G2: R (00:09:01):

Well, it's a little hard, but, uh-

Moderator (00:09:04):

(laughs) Everybody says that. We've been doing this for a few and they also says it's a little hard. It's hard, right? Yeah.

G2: R (00:09:10):

Yeah. Um, the economy and inflation and rising costs I just, I just pick one 'cause that can be associated with this-

Moderator (00:09:18):

With the same.

G2: R (00:09:18):

... with the same thing. So, um, my star goes to, my star goes to the inflation and rising costs.

Moderator (00:09:25):

Yeah.

G2: R (00:09:26):

But racism is really important to sought that are out there.

Moderator (00:09:29):

Okay, all right. We will talk about that. Uh, G2: J, what did you mark as a star?

G2: J (00:09:33):

Yeah. I put in inflation and rising costs.

Moderator (00:09:33):

Inflation and rising costs. G2: I.

G2: I (00:09:33):

I also put in inflation and rising costs.

Speaker X (00:09:33):

Rising costs.

Moderator (00:09:33):

G2: R, where did you put?

G2: R (00:09:41):

Uh, I put a economy and, um, inflation, rising costs.

Moderator (00:09:48):

Also? That's your star?

G2: R (00:09:48):

Hmm. Yeah. I really got it on just the first page, but if I was to measure down it would be the economy.

Moderator (00:09:57):

[inaudible 00:09:57] the economy. Okay. So it feels, it kinda feels like all of y'all are talking about a, you know, surging economy, rising costs, inflation. Let- let's first talk about, you know, when we say economy, what is that mean? G2: S, when you, when I say economy or you think about the economy, what that does encompass to you?

G2: S (00:10:16):

I mean, I, I think that just means overall. Like, um, the world, really more the of, of world issue and inflation, rising costs, you know, the costs of how everyt- everything is going up, cost of living, real estate, like every area [inaudible 00:10:37] represents to me.

Moderator (00:10:39):

[inaudible 00:10:39].

G2: S (00:10:42):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:10:42):

Um, G2: J, you, you marked inflation and rising costs, what are some of the things that you see of rising in your life right now? What's going on that you see price is going up on, on what things?

G2: J (00:10:53):

Uh, gas prices.

G2: R (00:10:54):

(laughs)

Moderator (00:10:54):

Gas? Yeah.

G2: J (00:10:56):

[inaudible 00:10:56].

Moderator (00:10:56):

Yeah.

G2: J (00:10:58):

Yeah. Mostly I see like a like more as I shop and stuff like-

Moderator (00:11:04):

More what? I'm sorry.

G2: J (00:11:04):

As I shop, like grocery shop or-

Moderator (00:11:05):

Oh, grocery shopping. Yeah. Uh-huh.

G2: J (00:11:09):

I see like, like prices going up [inaudible 00:11:11] little-

Moderator (00:11:11):

Food.

G2: J (00:11:11):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:11:12):

Uh-huh.

G2: J (00:11:13):

And like I see, I see the percentage of it of, of everything else going up and then saying compared to the last years and before that.

Moderator (00:11:24):

Wha- what, what percent, or what? I'm sorry, what [inaudible 00:11:35]?

G2: J (00:11:34):

The percentage of the, um, this year's, um, increasing inflation costs.

Moderator (00:11:34):

Mm-hmm. Okay. Okay. And, and when you, when I say economy or when we talk about the economy, what does that mean to you?

G2: J (00:11:40):

More of a nation's wealth [inaudible 00:11:40] and like where they invest to mostly.

Moderator (00:11:41):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm. Okay. Um, G2: I, what about you? Um, when, when you talk about inflation and rising costs, what are you seeing that's...

G2: I (00:11:53):

Um, pretty much the same like when I go grocery shopping and everything I, I see that that's in my pocket, especially like smaller things like milk that should be an essential and it's just the price keeps rising. But when I think about like the economy and the like inflation, I see the economy as more as a macro level, as inf- inflation is more as a micro. Like it's affecting, you know, like people more.

Moderator (00:12:18):

Mm-hmm. So you see inflation more about people, and the economy more like...

G2: I (00:12:22):

As like a global sort of-

Moderator (00:12:24):

Hmm. Mm-hmm. Who, who do you think is responsible for the, this issue that you find really important right now?

G2: I (00:12:33):

Um, sadly the people. Like I feel like we're the ones that that cause like inflation by buying more things and make supply and demand, basically.

Moderator (00:12:46):

So you see pe- people... Is that, is that... That how is tha- has that changed over time or like what? 'Cause you're saying you, the people are causing it, is it that something that happened that has made them cause this or is this something that you, is inevitable? How do you... Can you say more?

G2: I (00:13:04):

I mean, I think like it's inevitable.

Moderator (00:13:07):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:13:07):

Because with just the, the economy is working. It's just, it ha- like the inflation had to happen in order for it to keep working.

Moderator (00:13:17):

Okay, okay. G2: R, what about you? You said also the economy, what is the economy mean to you?

G2: R (00:13:23):

Uh, the economy is basically, uh, country's gross national product.

Moderator (00:13:31):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:13:31):

It's, uh, with a produce and, uh, I think, uh, the rise of inflation, uh, cost of living is just the reflection of with the country is producing. So if you're not producing, you're doing more import, [inaudible 00:13:51]. If you're importing, uh, that mean that you're not really producing that much-

Moderator (00:13:57):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:13:58):

... so, uh, things tend to cost more, uh, because [inaudible 00:14:03] gross national product now. So, uh, it's just a case of cause and effect. And we need to get back to being more of a productive relation, uh, get the, uh, import, export back into the favor of, uh, the economy, meaning, uh, we need to export a little lot more than what we importing to, uh, the economy [inaudible 00:14:31]-

Moderator (00:14:31):

And who do you blame right now for the rising costs and inflation? Who, who would you blame if you had to bla- if you had to blame someone? Who would you blame?

G2: R (00:14:38):

Uh, I would blame it on, you know, politics, uh, and big business, you know, I mean, you know, when you have inflation, it favors big business. [inaudible 00:14:50] just whole pandemic, the companies that came out on top were big business: Walmart's, uh, Amazons, you know, all the big companies that, uh, made money. You know, there wasn't closed down. You know, they're the ones that made out good on this [inaudible 00:15:07]. So anything that, uh, they can do to tip the scales to be in their favor, I mean, they'll do.

Moderator (00:15:18):

You said politics, what do you mean politics? 'Cause you said, I said it's blame to politics and corporation. What, what do you mean politics? Politicians, [inaudible 00:15:22]-

G2: R (00:15:22):

A lot of ti- a lot of time that people look at politics and big business, they look at it in a relationship that politics controls big business, but it's big business that pays politicians [inaudible 00:15:37] reverse role. He who fees is who dictates what happens. So I think in people's mind they got it somewhat twisted about the relationship between politics and big business. Big business dictate the politics, the politics doesn't dictate the business.

Moderator (00:15:58):

[inaudible 00:15:58] have a comment on that what G2: R just say?

G2: S (00:16:00):

I mean, I, I, I agree, I mean, essentially, but overall, in overall, government but it's the official that are, politicians that are elected in the go- you know, in the government as well, so the big corporations and all of that, yeah, I, I agree exactly [inaudible 00:16:16] and then also to add to, um, not only his food and gas but I'm in-

Speaker X (00:16:25):

[inaudible 00:16:25].

G2: S (00:16:26):

... real, real estate, so real estate, the housing market is, it's crazy, the interest rates had shot up pretty, pretty high. Um, cars, even, um, from the cars industry, every like, every area is has risen.

Moderator (00:16:44):

Mm-hmm. What do you think of-

G2: S (00:16:46):

[inaudible 00:16:46]-

Moderator (00:16:46):

... what do you think, G2: J what they're talking about? What do you think?

G2: J (00:16:49):

About the?

Moderator (00:16:51):

About the fact that corporations control politicians. What do you think?

G2: J (00:16:56):

I'm really [inaudible 00:16:56], I feel like what he says, it feels true.

Moderator (00:16:56):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:17:01):

Um, seeing the politicians and their decisions most days are kinda, they're kinda just like do it just like show more to the people [inaudible 00:17:14], not favorite pe- uh, [inaudible 00:17:16] what I'm saying. Um, to like it's what better in people's eyes.

Moderator (00:17:23):

Hmm. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. But, uh, uh-

G2: J (00:17:23):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:17:24):

And, and I've already mentions earlier but this is just a conversation, it's not a test. So there's no right or wrong answer. It's this just about how you feel-

G2: J (00:17:31):

I just [inaudible 00:17:31].

Moderator (00:17:31):

Yeah, yeah, yeah. So just don't, you know, well, it's not a, we're not being judged here, just learn-

G2: J (00:17:36):

Yes.

Moderator (00:17:36):

... learning about, you know, what you think. Um-

G2: R (00:17:38):

I think when you look at the relationship, uh, when you look at, uh, big business and politics, they always hear this saying, uh, politics is in the big, big business, pharmaceutical industries and those type of things. That's what it, in my opinion, you know, they push certain things, you know, during the pandemic, so that the people who are basically in their pockets, the politicians [inaudible 00:18:04] pocket is being [inaudible 00:18:05] by the pharmaceutical companies, they're like one of the biggest lobbyist when you go to DC, uh, the pharmaceutical company.

G2: R (00:18:12):

Uh, and when you constantly have lobbyists up in DC dictate, uh, dictate, which you would call the policy, the domestic policy, uh, of the American citizens, you know, they have tendency to push things toward to be more profitable to them because they constantly feeding them. Now if you have a, a marketing [inaudible 00:18:42], and Latino community, uh, you know, we can get out and vote, but if we don't have a stable, uh, economy within our own, uh, merchant class of businesses, if we don't have that, we're not able to pay politicians like everybody else, because, you know, they won't appreciate your role, but they will accept the check. And check is what counts really.

Moderator (00:19:11):

What do you think about all this, G2: I?

G2: I (00:19:13):

I mean, it makes sense what he's saying.

Moderator (00:19:16):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:19:17):

Um-

Moderator (00:19:17):

You agree or maybe you disagree, maybe you...

G2: I (00:19:20):

I mean, I agree. I agree that the corporation are, you know, the ones that came out on top of all of this after the pandemic.

G2: R (00:19:30):

She said... When she said corporation, when you understand, uh, the nation of America is a business, is a business with it, with it all boils down to. Uh, one of the reason why this country is so great, it's because it has used to have one of the world's largest middle class, you know, in world. And the middle class is based off of small business that you get a lot of perks for small, for having a small business. When you understand being in business for yourself and having your own merchant classes within your own community, uh, it all begins to make a lot of sense when we have a lot of a little hope, uh, will that you could [inaudible 00:20:14].

Moderator (00:20:14):

Okay. But G2: S, talked about how, um, racism was kind of, she wanted to put that out there. Do you wanna talk a little bit about that, and why is that such an important issue to you?

G2: S (00:20:24):

Um, it's definitely, and then I, I think it's always been an issue, I just think that over the last couple years, um, before, um, Biden got an office and once Trump got an office that it just laid

everything got on the, on the table like people [inaudible 00:20:41] was already racist, just really just felt that had the boldness to, to come out. I mean, it's, it's an all ends like, you know, that American come in, Latino community, the LGBT community, I mean, it's just Asian, um, especially with the, um, pandemic.

G2: S (00:21:05):

So I was just, it's running, it's just running, running, run in rapid, and on top of with the police, um, that those encounters, you know, the things with the KKK and all of that like, is this not to say that it ever went away or it just, I think it just hit up under table and was just waiting for, you know, the opportunity to, uh, to get the right person at office and go, go, go right on in. And somehow, I think that it's just, which is good. I think is this come to the light and [inaudible 00:21:42] it's not in the dark anymore. It's come to the light though. There's still, but there's still a lot of issues around it with that. [inaudible 00:21:52].

Moderator (00:21:54):

Mm-hmm. G2: J, what were some of the other things that you marked as really important to you? Um, or some of the ones that you marked that were like tens, where, did you have another 10?

G2: J (00:22:04):

[inaudible 00:22:04] housing costs.

Moderator (00:22:08):

Housing costs.

G2: J (00:22:09):

Uh, cri- crime in city.

Moderator (00:22:11):

Housing costs and crime. Touch me with a little bit housing costs, what's going on?

G2: J (00:22:20):

Okay. On housing costs, um, like the housing costs, the, the, prices on them with like are skyrocketed. Back then, usually, it would take like [inaudible 00:22:28], um, how it costs back then compared to the re- regular salary. Um, it would take like around eight years to, um, get a house, which [inaudible 00:22:42] the salary, well, now, it takes like 13 years with the housing costs rising up to way more than should be. And, um-

Moderator (00:22:52):

Are you feeling it at home, yourself, are you feeling it?

G2: J (00:22:54):

Yeah, well-

Moderator (00:22:55):

Yeah?

G2: J (00:22:55):

... yeah, well, my father had taken care of everything on the, the house and stuff. Seeing the, these expenses kinda, yeah, it's a lot.

Moderator (00:23:05):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:23:05):

I just like houses like apartments while I was like tryin' to find an apartment here in Atlanta, it's just ridiculous. Like for a studio, you're asking for like almost two grand. That is not even plausible, like you just can't do that.

Moderator (00:23:18):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:23:19):

At least not with one income.

G2: R (00:23:20):

Where are you visiting from?

G2: I (00:23:21):

Where am I... Uh, I come from North Carolina.

G2: R (00:23:23):

North Carolina?

G2: I (00:23:24):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:23:25):

[inaudible 00:23:25]-

G2: I (00:23:25):

But, um, even there, it's pretty [inaudible 00:23:27].

G2: R (00:23:26):

What, what part of North Carolina?

G2: I (00:23:27):

Raleigh.

G2: R (00:23:28):

Raleigh. [inaudible 00:23:29] it, it doesn't quite get to height of Atlanta but, you know, maybe, maybe [inaudible 00:23:39].

G2: I (00:23:41):

I mean, I've got a pretty good place. I mean, it's a two-bedroom apartment, 1,100, which is a steal [inaudible 00:23:47], so to be able to find that.

G2: R (00:23:51):

Here in [inaudible 00:23:52].

G2: I (00:23:51):

Atlanta, it's like Fulton County. It's like downtown Atlanta.

G2: S (00:23:55):

And Georgia used to be the like epitome of everyone needs to come and run down here and about like, "Oh, man, you can get, you know, quality housing or quality living without, um, you know, without the, um, what about the, the costs? Like you can get decent housing and..."

G2: R (00:24:16):

The cost of living in do- down here.

G2: S (00:24:19):

It, i- yeah, and, and now, it's, it's changing like over the last 5, 10 years. It's definitely changed, even the, even within the last five years that I've been here, like I, I had an apartment over in the perimeter area and that one bedroom that I had at that time was like between 12 and 13, which was still kinda high but between 12 and 1300, but now, that's same apartment is like 2200.

G2: R (00:24:46):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:24:46):

So and that was just five years ago.

G2: R (00:24:50):

So what we have going on here is, uh, cost of living is going up a lot quicker than wages going up and so, uh, one thing that makes Americans unique or America unique is having that larger middle class that we're talking about business, [inaudible 00:25:12] policies and inflation is shrinking the middle class. The middle class isn't, those people are leaving the middle the class, they're not going up, they're going to, to lower class. So you have a, uh, a bigger issue with people not being able to live the standard of living they did accustom to, and then that drives everything-

G2: S (00:25:37):

Who do you... Who you blame, G2: R? Who do you... I mean, who's at fault here? Is there anybody at fault? I mean-

G2: R (00:25:42):

I mean, at the end-

G2: S (00:25:43):

... what's causing all of this, I guess?

G2: R (00:25:44):

... uh, at the end, if we just look at what caused in this last cycle, you had to say, uh, the pandemic and, you know, past policies, but it's been something that has been brewing for a while no matter what administration has been in here, has-

G2: R (00:26:03):

[inaudible 00:26:01] no matter what administration has been in here, especially when you get away from, you know, the GPA, I mean, the GNP, gross national product, and the country isn't producing the way that it did. This used to be a industry led country, you know, through the, I guess what you would call the, the steel age-

Moderator (00:26:23):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:26:23):

... um, but, uh, you know, as years have passed by, we have kinda gotten away from that-

Moderator (00:26:29):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:26:29):

... and we do a lot of importing now.

Moderator (00:26:32):

Yeah. So, G2: J also mentioned crime, right?

G2: R (00:26:35):

Right.

Moderator (00:26:35):

What's going on there? Y'all haven't talked about that, can you share about the tha- what's going on there, anybody? It can be anybody, G2: J.

G2: R (00:26:41):

I think that's a, uh, that's a product of the cost of living.

Moderator (00:26:45):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:26:46):

You know, and, uh, they always been able to show a correlation between, uh, you know, poverty and crime.

Moderator (00:26:54):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:26:54):

You know, so whenever you start stressing citizens and family people tend to go outside of the norm-

Moderator (00:27:00):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:27:00):

... and do, you know, vices and stuff.

Moderator (00:27:00):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:27:04):

Mm-hmm. So, G2: J, why is this so important to you? Are you saying it goes on in your area? What's...

G2: J (00:27:07):

No, it, it, yes, uh, back when, yeah, I used, um, a little, like a year ago, I used to live in bad, uh, neighborhood and s- stuff.

G2: R (00:27:21):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:27:22):

Um, lotta shootings and stuff, no reason it should be, just dumb people just, just playing with the guns.

Moderator (00:27:33):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:27:39):

But and the, the, um, the, the crime has, it just got outta hand.

Moderator (00:27:39):

It was outta hand?

G2: J (00:27:39):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:27:42):

Mm-hmm. Uh, is anybody else seeing a lot of crime? G2: I, what about you? And G2: J mentioned a lotta gun violence. Is there a lotta gun violence right now, or is that, do you see it the same, or what do, what do you kinda see?

G2: I (00:27:52):

I live in a pretty, actually safe neighborhood for downtown, I would assume.

Moderator (00:27:57):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:27:57):

Only heard gunshots once, and that was pretty much it. But-

Moderator (00:28:01):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:28:02):

... I don't really, I don't know, I don't have much to say about the crime.

Moderator (00:28:09):

Okay. What a- what issue did- I'm sorry were you gonna say something to me.

G2: S (00:28:10):

Um, I was just gonna say it, I, I definitely think that it has increased, I mean, especially for Georgia. Georgia's, um, their, their crime wave, their crime rate was pretty, kinda pretty low compared to, um, some other cities-

Moderator (00:28:24):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:28:25):

... some other cities and states. But I definitely think it's definitely went up, the shootings have went up, the, like, even just the robbing, and breaking in cars, that's the, that's went up, quite a bit, so-

Moderator (00:28:38):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:28:38):

I, I got something I'd like to say about it. I think whenever you start stressing, uh, the family unit, uh, you s- the morals and the values of the family start to deteriorate a lotta times. When a family is, is pressed economically, uh, you know, a lotta times it ends in divorce, uh, this causes kids, uh, and the parents to go through some sort of trauma, so, you know, trying to find your way again, uh-

Moderator (00:29:10):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:29:11):

... you know, kids tend to, uh, drift and get into things. So, I think it's all the fact of, uh, you know, wages not being able to keep up with cost of living.

Moderator (00:29:25):

Mm-hmm. G2: I, what was another important issue for you besides economics, and, was there another one on there that kinda you rated pretty high that we haven't talked about?

G2: I (00:29:33):

Um-

Moderator (00:29:33):

Maybe a nine or a 10.

G2: I (00:29:38):

I mean, pretty much all if them, but one that I didn't see on here was, like, homelessness and-

Moderator (00:29:44):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:29:45):

... [inaudible 00:29:45].

Moderator (00:29:45):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:29:45):

Like, I see a lot of homelessness here in Atlanta, I don't know how it is, like, in the surrounding areas, but there's a lot of homelessness. And I hadn't seen that, like, level of it, at least not in North Carolina, and I lived in a big city in Raleigh. I've been to Charlotte too, and it was a pretty, like, big problem, but not as big as here.

Moderator (00:30:03):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:30:03):

So, I don't know I mean, obviously, that would correlate with economy and inflation.

Moderator (00:30:07):

What about racism? G2: S talked about it as, I mean, do y- what do you think about racism, and do you see it as a, a major problem right now, is it-

G2: I (00:30:16):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:30:16):

... a major issue?

G2: I (00:30:17):

Like G2: S said, people got bold, they just, I guess with Trump being in office, they just decided that it was okay for them to be racist in a, in a society where we still see it as bad, or I would still see it as bad. I don't condone it.

Moderator (00:30:33):

Mm-hmm. G2: J, what about you, racism, have you been a victim of it?

G2: J (00:30:37):

Yeah, yeah. I see around, most of, most of the time. Like, you know, like, could be something small, but it, it kind of irks me, but I just try to ignore it most of the, most of the part.

Moderator (00:30:48):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:30:50):

Las- lu- for, mostly in my family, they experienced it more in, like, Arizona and stuff, and they're, like, neighbors actually attacked them, like, get 'em out. Which is, like, is really messed up.

Moderator (00:31:05):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm. Um, what about immigration? Did, what did y'all give immigration? What number did you give it?

G2: I (00:31:10):

I gave it a 10.

Moderator (00:31:10):

A 10? What about you?

G2: I (00:31:11):

Yeah. I come from immigrant parents-

Moderator (00:31:13):

Uh-huh.

G2: I (00:31:13):

... so immigration is always a big topic.

Moderator (00:31:15):

Mm-hmm. What did you give immigration, G2: J?

G2: J (00:31:19):

Uh, a seven.

Moderator (00:31:21):

A seven. What about you, G2: R?

G2: R (00:31:21):

A eight.

Moderator (00:31:23):

Eight, and what about you, G2: S?

G2: S (00:31:25):

I gave it a nine.

Moderator (00:31:25):

Okay. Well, that's pretty high, nine, what's, what, what, why is it important to you?

G2: S (00:31:30):

I think it go- I mean, it all pays a part and goes along with racism to me, 'cause at, at the end of the day, I do think that's (laughs), that's what the foundational root of the problem is. And, um, my, um-

Moderator (00:31:43):

Can you say more? Foundational problem of, like-

G2: S (00:31:46):

Like, the, just the root of as far as in, like, with racism, I think it all ties in together, um-

Moderator (00:31:52):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:31:52):

... when it comes to, uh, immigration, and that's always gonna be high too, as well, because my, my, uh, parents, um, they're from Dominican Republic.

Moderator (00:32:02):

Mm-hmm. Um, I wanna, s- oh, I also wanted to check, what did y'all give abortion? What were some of the numbers y'all rated abortion?

G2: I (00:32:11):

Um, gave it a 10.

G2: R (00:32:11):

Gave it a nine.

Moderator (00:32:11):

Nine, 10.

G2: S (00:32:11):

I gave it a five.

Moderator (00:32:21):

A five. G2: J, what did you give it?

G2: J (00:32:22):

I got three.

Moderator (00:32:23):

A three. Um, G2: I, you gave it a 10. Talk to me a little bit about what your 10, what you're feeling right now?

G2: I (00:32:30):

Okay. So, I mean, I watched, like, the Supreme Court basically overturn Roe Vs. Wade, and that's a huge, like, that's huge step for, I guess, the Supreme Court to do that. Um, it's very important to women, being a woman, um, we don't wanna revert back to our ways of having to find an abortion, if need be, through difficult ways.

Moderator (00:32:58):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:32:59):

And I, and I think that, um, I don't think the government should be able to dictate if a person, if a woman, you know, the choice of having an abortion or not. Now, that's a different story topic if you talk about from a religious standpoint, spiritual standpoint-

Moderator (00:33:18):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:33:19):

... because, I, I'm, I'm Christian, and to be honest, you know (laughing) God, Jesus d- even, they, they all gave us a choice, it's the free will, you know, you can make a choice. So if that's the case, then why would human beings be able to make choices for us? The government shouldn't be able to dictate, that should be our choice whether you do it or not.

G2: R (00:33:45):

I think, uh, people tend to look at the abortion issue without looking at it in a humane way. Uh, a lotta times, uh, from the left, they'll say, "Well, it's a woman's right," but you still have to deal with that child, or that embryo that is in there, that is life. So it's not something just affecting the carrier of the child, it's something that's also, uh, affecting, um, the unborn-

Moderator (00:34:21):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:34:21):

... that is in there.

G2: R (00:34:23):

So, um, the reason that I, I placed abortion so high is because not necessarily am I for it or against it, but I think it needs to be more conversation about it, so we can humanize the whole abortion issue. And at this point in time, we have just too many, you know, the morning after pill, there's so many ways that you can get around getting pregnant, and even if you were to get pregnant, you still have that m- that morning after pill. There's so many different routes to go.

G2: R (00:34:56):

Uh, so, uh, maybe it might be getting a little bit too much play, but, uh, if us being Latinos, and we're looking at, you know, we look at democracy, democracy is, uh, controlled by the majority. Uh, one of the things that we wanna keep going is the immigration going so we can count on, kinda counter that, the foreign policy that made, uh, Europeans the majority here anyway. So, one of the ways that we combat that is most Latinos are affiliated with the Catholic church, and we don't believe in abortion, so that's one of the things that, uh, combat racism, because we wanna try to get the numbers back to where we are the majority again.

Moderator (00:35:44):

Mm-hmm. I wanna shift gears now, and talk a little bit about, um, where do you get your news from? So, you know, we've talked about some issues, and y'all seem to be kind of, um, up to snuff on what's going on.

G2: R (00:35:55):

(laughs).

Moderator (00:35:58):

Um, but where do you get your news from, how do you get your news?

G2: J (00:36:00):

Uh, I get my news from, uh, like, social media.

Moderator (00:36:04):

Oh yeah.

G2: J (00:36:04):

Like, um, YouTube or Instagram, or I have a email, email, uh, morning group, that-

Moderator (00:36:10):

Morning group, uh-huh.

G2: J (00:36:13):

... sends me the news every, the latest news that happens every day.

Moderator (00:36:20):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm. And on YouTube, do you go, what kinda stuff do you do on YouTube?

G2: J (00:36:20):

I kinda search up, like, more like the, like, political talk or, uh, YouTubers-

Moderator (00:36:27):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:36:28):

... and he kinda just relates, talks about the latest stuff that's happened.

Moderator (00:36:32):

Do you, do you know his name, or-

G2: J (00:36:34):

Uh, no, I forgot, I totally forgot, like-

Moderator (00:36:41):

No, that's all right. That's all right. And did you say Instagram also?

G2: J (00:36:41):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:36:41):

Okay. And what do you do on Instagram-

G2: J (00:36:41):

Um-

Moderator (00:36:41):

... does it, does it come up on your feed, or do-

G2: J (00:36:42):

Yeah, just my feed-

Moderator (00:36:43):

Yeah.

G2: J (00:36:44):

... I don't do anything special, just [inaudible 00:36:44].

Moderator (00:36:44):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:36:48):

The, it just kinda pops up whoever posted about it first.

Moderator (00:36:52):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm. Anybody else, where do you get your news from?

G2: R (00:36:57):

I get mine from, uh, radio.

Moderator (00:36:58):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:36:58):

Um, they say radio, uh, news is a lot more, uh, impactful and they tend not to get in much of a sterilized version by the time you go through the big corporations, because as we know that most of the news corporations are controlled by big corporations, so they kinda, uh, maintain a certain narrative, whether it's the left, whether it's the right, whether it's CNN or Fox. But, uh, right in between that, you got social media, we got radio also.

Moderator (00:37:32):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:37:32):

There's, there's a saying that, you know, if you got your news from TV, it's probably not news anymore, it's probably old, but if you get it from radio, which, uh, tends not to be as sterilized as the regular news, don't have to go through all those channels to clear-

Moderator (00:37:47):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:37:48):

... uh, it's probably, you're probably on time.

Moderator (00:37:52):

Mm-hmm. G2: I, where do you get your news?

G2: I (00:37:53):

Um, I listen to a Podcast that's called Breaking Points.

Moderator (00:37:57):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:37:57):

Um, they're inde- independent, uh, like, yeah, they're independents, these two ga- uh, it's a guy and a girl, and I believe one is on the left side, and one is on the right side. So they're always debating about their stuff, and it's always good to listen to both sides of the story before coming to your own conclusion. I also have Politico on Instagram, um, I read a lot of articles from there. And that's pretty much it. Oh, Reddit, just world news-

Moderator (00:38:23):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:38:23):

... just to see what's going on other than US politics.

Moderator (00:38:26):

Okay. Do you typically watch videos, or do you read?

G2: I (00:38:30):

I, I read. But since I'm working on the computer all the time, I like to put the podcast-

Moderator (00:38:35):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:38:35):

... and I can listen to it while I'm doing something.

Moderator (00:38:36):

Yeah.

G2: I (00:38:36):

... like, doing some work.

Moderator (00:38:39):

Um, and what about G2: S, where are you getting your news?

G2: S (00:38:42):

Um, pretty much everything (laughing)-

Moderator (00:38:43):

Yeah?

G2: S (00:38:44):

... they said podcasts, uh, radio, someti- I rarely watch TV though-

Moderator (00:38:52):

Yeah.

G2: S (00:38:52):

... I rarely watch the news. Um, so I really don't get much from there, but, um, social media, you know, Instagram-

Moderator (00:39:04):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:39:06):

... tik- what is it, TikTok, Twitter, I mean, all of those.

Moderator (00:39:08):

You know them all.

G2: S (00:39:08):

Through, through the feed-

Moderator (00:39:08):

Yeah. Mm-hmm. G2: J, what about, um, uh, d- I was gonna ask you about social media. Is, is there one that you trust more than the other when it comes to political news?

G2: J (00:39:25):

Um, as in, like, the social media-

Moderator (00:39:27):

Yeah, the social media platforms. Is there one that you-

G2: J (00:39:31):

Oh, I'd say, um, probably YouTube more.

Moderator (00:39:32):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:39:32):

Because, like, as long as, you know, like, no extremes-

Moderator (00:39:35):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:39:35):

... 'cause there's, like, such a extremes, extremes on one side, I just really don't try to, kinda just don't try to listen to it, find someone else. I have more, I have a choice type thing.

Moderator (00:39:48):

Uh, it- G2: I, you didn't mention television, you dot watch TV news or cable or anything?

G2: I (00:39:52):

No, I don't tr- I don't really trust, like, the big corporations, like, I just don't. If I were to watch it, I used to watch CNN when I was in college-

Moderator (00:39:59):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:40:01):

... just because it was something that was required of us to watch.

Moderator (00:40:04):

And why don't you trust then? I mean, what is it, what is it that make you not trust new- uh these TV stations? What makes them untrustworthy, I should say.

G2: I (00:40:11):

I mean, they all have their sides. So, I mean, if I'm listening to, let's say foc new- Fox News, I know I'm only getting one side of the story, which is why I listen to the independents, because while they're giving me their side of the stories, um, they're giving it to me at the same time, they're debating it in, like, real life in that moment.

G2: R (00:40:31):

I think what she's saying is that, you know, Fox and CNN tend to be agenda driven, uh, and you can probably get the truth by listening to both sides, but it's usually, uh, you know, they have a, kinda, you know, left to right, yeah.

Moderator (00:40:52):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:40:52):

So...

Moderator (00:40:52):

Right. Um, what about, um, Spanish language news, do y'all, does anybody watch or listen to Spanish language news? Or are we [inaudible 00:41:03] between the Spanish and English news?

G2: I (00:41:05):

I haven't listened to it since I moved out of my house with my mom. But I mean, that was, like, the news that I used to watch hen I was younger, because that's what they would watch.

Moderator (00:41:15):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:41:15):

So-

Moderator (00:41:16):

What did you think about it?

G2: I (00:41:19):

Like, he was saying, they have an agenda. Like they, obviously they have to talk to their, their demographic, and they have to come up with the news for their demographic, so while they do that, they also, like, don't talk about the other side of the story, which makes... I don't know, I feel like when you only talk about your version of the story it makes those people angry towards whatever they're talking about towards.

G2: S (00:41:41):

And it just, all I think it does is with those agendas, it just creates division.

G2: I (00:41:45):

You polarize people.

G2: S (00:41:47):

'Cause you're already divided, so it just keeps everyone di- you know, separated, and just creates this whole division thing, 'cause god forbid if everyone came together in unity (laughs).

Moderator (00:42:02):

W- when y'all are on social media, do you ever comment or repost political things, or you just read it with... How do you interact with political content on social media? What are you doing?

G2: S (00:42:13):

I mainly read it.

G2: R (00:42:14):

Yeah.

G2: S (00:42:16):

Yeah. I'm not-

G2: R (00:42:17):

If I'm aligned to something, uh, I will post it, and even if I'm not aligned with something, I will, I post it and try to, you know, break it down-

Moderator (00:42:27):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:42:28):

... you know, give my perspective on it, you know, just as an exercise to, you know, communicate, you know, what you see from your perspective of it.

Moderator (00:42:39):

Mm-hmm. G2: I, what about you? Do you interact with the content, or you just read it, and listen to it?

G2: I (00:42:42):

I do interact, I don't necessarily comment on it, but I do repost things. Um, I come from a political science background, that's what I did for college, so, I mean, I usually post it, like, on Facebook with both Spanish and English, so just so people can read it if, if they find it interesting. I always find that, like, like if they wanna read it, they can, they don't necessarily have to agree with me or anything, just an interesting read.

Moderator (00:43:05):

When, when y'all see political content, like a news article, or that's written versus a video, what, what, what do you find more trustworthy? Do you think, like, the videos are better, do you think the, do you think the text is better? What re- i- just kinda talk to me a little bit about sort or content that you all consume on social media video versus text.

G2: R (00:43:26):

I think the video is more impactful because more people are visually stimulated more so than, you know, reading comprehension.

Moderator (00:43:37):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:43:38):

I think the reading is down because, uh, you know, educationally wise, they really don't push for, uh, reading comprehension that much these days, so a lot of people are used to being told, instead of reading about the news.

Moderator (00:43:51):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:43:51):

Um, since so many are attached to a cellphone, the TVs and everything, people have gotten away from reading. There used to be a time when I was coming up where, you know, the Sunday paper and those type of things had the, the articles in them, that, you know, your parents read, and they were a lot more politically astute, I would say than in this generation today.

Moderator (00:44:23):

Rodri- G2: R mentioned the newspaper, does anybody read the newspaper, do you consume it at all in any way, online, or do you interact with the newspaper, do you see articles on, on your feed?

G2: I (00:44:35):

I read newspaper articles-

Moderator (00:44:37):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:44:37):

... but not physically.

G2: R (00:44:40):

Physical paper.

G2: I (00:44:42):

Yeah, it's almost dead, so it's not necessarily, like, something that I do.

Moderator (00:44:46):

What do you mean, it's almost dead?

G2: I (00:44:48):

Like, the actual physical newspaper thing, it's-

Moderator (00:44:51):

Mm-hmm. And so what happens when you interact online with the newspapers, you, you, you get newspaper articles or what do you do?

G2: I (00:44:58):

Um, I just read them, so they pop up on, like, Reddit, and-

Moderator (00:45:01):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:45:02):

... they'll just comment like what the, what it's about, and if I find it interesting, I read it. I don't necessarily, like, I just, I usually talk to my boyfriend about it at the end of the day, like, "Oh, I read thing, interesting," and we just have a discussion about it.

Moderator (00:45:13):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:45:13):

That's about it.

Moderator (00:45:14):

And G2: J, are you getting, like, news notifications on your phone, do you get news notifications, or do you go to the news?

G2: J (00:45:20):

I us- have this thing signed up on the, my Gmail, and they just read the news for me, it just kinda condensed it what it really is.

Moderator (00:45:28):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (00:45:29):

And, like, if I want any more, I just c- just click on the link to-

Moderator (00:45:32):

Click on the link.

G2: J (00:45:33):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:45:33):

Uh-huh. But it's a Gmail email that you get every day.

G2: J (00:45:36):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:45:36):

Mm-hmm. And it tells you, it, does it have political news, or entertainment news, or what does it have?

G2: J (00:45:43):

It's a bit of everything.

Moderator (00:45:45):

A little bit of everything.

G2: J (00:45:45):

Mostly political, and yeah.

Moderator (00:45:51):

Mm-hmm. Mm-hmm. And what are some of the things that you, if you were to click on something, what, what would be something that you would click on, just and-

G2: J (00:45:53):

More of a study to, like, read, read more about it.

Moderator (00:45:54):

Mm-hmm. Yeah, but is there a particular topic that you would, that interests you that you would click on?

G2: J (00:45:55):

Uh, not particularly.

Moderator (00:46:09):

No. Um, does, do y'all follow any, um, political pages, or candidates, or political groups online in social media right now?

G2: S (00:46:24):

Um... Um, oh, like, uh, like, Barrack Obama, Michelle Obama.

Moderator (00:46:26):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:46:26):

Stacey Abrams right now.

Moderator (00:46:32):

Okay. So, you follow them on, like, uh-

G2: S (00:46:33):

On social media.

Moderator (00:46:34):

On Facebook, or Twitter, or what?

G2: S (00:46:35):

Instagram.

Moderator (00:46:37):

Okay. Over here, anybody do y'all cha- do y'all follow anybody?

G2: I (00:46:41):

Yeah, I follow, um, the President, Joe Biden. I follow Politico on Instagram, and I think, uh, the algorithm in my Twitter, the way it's set up, it gives me political news of Georgia. So-

Moderator (00:46:56):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:46:56):

... anything having to do with that, I usually [inaudible 00:46:59].

G2: R (00:47:00):

I listen to politics all the time-

Moderator (00:47:01):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:47:02):

.... I don't necessarily, uh, you know, just, uh, lean myself to just the left or the right, Republican or Democrat. I try to get with somebody who's more independent, uh, more so than one who's just strictly left or strictly right.

Moderator (00:47:22):

Mm-hmm. I wanna move to the topic now to talk a little bit about, um, what it means to be a good citizen. And I don't mean citizen like in the sense of, like, citizenship of the United States. I mean just, like, what a- wat are you duties and obligations in, in society? What, what does it mean to be a good citizen, anybody?

G2: R (00:47:42):

To be productive, uh, to promote, uh, community, and communities are [inaudible 00:47:50] by families, so-

Moderator (00:47:50):

Mm-hmm. Productive. What does that mean, productive?

G2: R (00:47:53):

Uh, well it's, uh, being able to contribute to society as a whole-

Moderator (00:48:00):

Okay.

G2: R (00:48:00):

... whether it's in the workforce uh, whether it's into building families, and families build communities, and communities build a nation.

Moderator (00:48:10):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:48:10):

So, you wanna be in line with that whole process of doing something that promotes the society.

Moderator (00:48:17):

Okay. Anybody else, what does it mean to be a good citizen?

G2: I (00:48:19):

I would just say just to be a good person in general.

Moderator (00:48:22):

Mm-hmm. And what does a good person do or not do?

G2: I (00:48:25):

I guess it wouldn't be a bad person (laughs). I don't know.

Moderator (00:48:27):

Yeah, but what would they do?

G2: I (00:48:29):

Like, uh, not being harmful towards people, and just-

Moderator (00:48:31):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:48:31):

... doing whatever you have to do, like, just be productive, you know.

Moderator (00:48:34):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:48:35):

Do whatever you, like, I guess, like, tend to yourself, while to your community as well.

Moderator (00:48:41):

Mm-hmm. Yeah.

G2: I (00:48:42):

Don't go around robbing people, or shooting people.

Moderator (00:48:46):

Yeah.

G2: R (00:48:46):

Be an asset-

G2: I (00:48:46):

Yeah.

G2: R (00:48:47):

... to society, and not a liability.

G2: I (00:48:50):

And just be good.

Moderator (00:48:51):

Mm-hmm. What do you think, G2: J, what, what does a good citizen do or not do?

G2: J (00:48:55):

I'd say, like, pay taxes, be productive, like, that's it mostly.

Moderator (00:49:00):

Did you say pay taxes?

G2: J (00:49:01):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:49:01):

Okay. I'm sorry, I having a hard time hearing you. But, yeah-

G2: J (00:49:04):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:49:04):

... pay taxes, okay. And what else do they do or not do?

G2: J (00:49:08):

Like, be in the workforce, helping people out, [inaudible 00:49:13] a rut or something.

Moderator (00:49:14):

Okay.

G2: J (00:49:16):

And that's most, that's mostly how I would see it.

Moderator (00:49:19):

Okay, that's mostly how you see it. Mm-hmm. G2: S?

G2: S (00:49:23):

Um, I mean, I would say very, just helping each other out, serving your, um, community. I mean, just doing life together, because I mean, you stand in a bubble or in your own, your own view of things, I mean, that doesn't help out the world or society, or people or anything like that. So I, I think that it's about being there for others, serving others, and, um, just, just being able to do (laughs), do life together. There's this thing, this, this thing called life, it's not easy and you can't do it by yourself, so-

Moderator (00:50:01):

What about jury duty? Uh, what do you think about jury duty? Is that something a good citizen does?

G2: I (00:50:07):

Yeah, if they're called to do it, and you meet the right criteria, it'd be okay for you to do it.

Moderator (00:50:18):

What do you think, G2: J?

G2: J (00:50:19):

Um, not, I'm not sure much what that is really.

Moderator (00:50:25):

You don't know what jury duty is?

G2: J (00:50:26):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:50:26):

Okay, that's fine.

G2: S (00:50:28):

It's interesting though to me when you say, uh, be a, a good citizen, it almost kinda sounds like a controlled, um, not to be [inaudible 00:50:39]-

Moderator (00:50:38):

No, it's fine.

G2: S (00:50:40):

... almost sounds like a controlled type of an environment, or contro- a control narrative there. Like, you know, do what the, the government says. 'Cause and even as an example is jury duty, it's, like, we're talking about, like, humanity things, and helping each other out, you know, and serving others, but we're talking about on the other ends, like, oh, jury duty, and, um, just paying your, paying your taxes or something like that, like, a good, being a good citizen. It just kinda sounds kinda just kinda controlled.

Moderator (00:51:11):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:51:11):

Can we just look at that for a minute though?

Moderator (00:51:13):

(laughs).

G2: R (00:51:14):

Because, uh, he defined being a good citizen as paying your taxes, and we were also talking about productivity as being a citizen, that when you look at the top Fortune 500 companies, they pay the least amount of taxes.

Moderator (00:51:30):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (00:51:30):

Uh, Jeff Bezos, o- Amazon, they pay nearly nothing, you probably pay more taxes than they do, and they're probably more productive to the overall society than you are. So there's something to that whole, you know, pay taxes, because it seems like the people who pay the most taxes are the more exploited people.

Moderator (00:51:53):

How does being Latino or in the Latino culture shape the way we view what it means to be a good citizen? Does being Latino play a role at all in-

Moderator (00:52:03):

Does being Latino play a role at all in how we view what it means to be in front of the society?

G2: R (00:52:09):

I think that we try to integrate ourselves into society as much as possible. But we already come with a strong foundation of family. So, that within itself, is where societies are built upon, you know? That nucleus of the family. So we always like to promote families and communities. So I think we are actually contributing to society because we're so rooted into it

Moderator (00:52:38):

Itsy, what do you think?

G2: I (00:52:39):

I mean, like what he said. I just- I grew up in a big family so it's always, like, contributing to our little family. But that's not to say that we don't help the whole entire community. If we can and are able to, we will help. And that's what's being considered- what we can't deal with.

Moderator (00:52:59):

Um, so the reason you all were invited to participate in this group is because you are not registered to vote currently. So I wanted to ask about- a little bit about that and ask if you've ever been registered the vote by someone. Maybe you have been registered to vote before but now you are not. Tell me a little bit about your registration story. I do want to go around the room and hear from everyone. So G2: S, you are not currently registered but have you been registered before and- or no one ever asked you to?

G2: S (00:53:31):

Yes, I've been registered before. I'm just not registered here- here in Georgia so.

Moderator (00:53:36):

M-hmm.

G2: S (00:53:36):

I'm originally from Michigan. And I was registered to vote in Michigan. With Georgia? I don't care for a lot of their laws.

Moderator (00:53:50):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:53:51):

And the way- how, how Georgia... everything is just about money, money, money, money. Um, just trying to even start a business, you know? And incorporating your business. Or if your business gets dissolved then the amount of money they want to redissolve it is just like- Michigan is like 50 bucks. Here they want \$250. So it's just like, "Are you kidding me right now?"

G2: S (00:54:15):

So it's just a lot of things that plays a part. And I'm like, "I don't even..." I live here but I'm- no, I'm not registered.

Moderator (00:54:24):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:54:25):

I don't like what it stands for. Even with the past elections with the governor. With Kemp and Stacy Abrams, like that was clearly a - clearly a steal. Um, that was- yeah. That was definitely controlled. So I just- I don't like the agendas here.

Moderator (00:54:45):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:54:46):

That I see.

Moderator (00:54:47):

Do you think it was different in Michigan, because-

G2: S (00:54:49):

I do.

Moderator (00:54:50):

Because you vote in Michigan, right?

G2: S (00:54:52):

Uh, yeah.

Moderator (00:54:53):

And then here you just feel like it's not- its not...

G2: S (00:54:55):

Mm-hmm. I do, I think that. Um.

Moderator (00:54:58):

Was there anything that happened specifically or you just began to feel that way back then.

G2: S (00:55:00):

Hmm.

Moderator (00:55:04):

Besides the business thing. Was there an incident or anything that took place?

G2: S (00:55:09):

Just like the- just even from the laws. Even down to a speeding ticket or not having your driving license or something like that. Like versus the, you know the, driving without a driver's license thing? They take you to jail. (laughs) Like instantly, everything can take you to jail for year by themselves. It's like, "Oh my goodness."

G2: S (00:55:29):

And then with that election with the governors, um- with Kemp and Stacy Abram. That just- and then the things that he did with that vote- the whole voting. That whole voting process was...

Moderator (00:55:43):

So...

G2: S (00:55:43):

I tolerate it.

Moderator (00:55:48):

Tell me a bit more about that. So you think that Stacy Abrams should have won?

G2: S (00:55:51):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:55:51):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:55:52):

She definitely had it. I just think that, you know?

Moderator (00:55:56):

And what makes you feel that way?

G2: S (00:55:59):

Just because of the - all the things that Kemp was doing during the time of the voting.

Moderator (00:56:06):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:56:09):

Taking away the poll-

Moderator (00:56:11):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (00:56:11):

Locations, that were already set up. Something about even with the Count?

Moderator (00:56:16):

Mm-hmm.
G2: S (00:56:17):
I believe was completely off- like she won that.
G2: J (00:56:21):
Voter suppression.
Moderator (00:56:22):
Voter suppression.
G2: S (00:56:23):
Yeah, she... she... she won that.
Moderator (00:56:27):
G2: J, what about you? Have you... you're not registered now so have you ever been asked to vote or?
G2: J (00:56:34):
No, I have not. Before I even qualified? Before I have been asked that but I wasn't qualified then.
Moderator (00:56:38):
Okay.
G2: J (00:56:38):
I'm trying to register November at least to get more input. To get more into it- the politics.
Moderator (00:56:45):
Mm-hmm.
G2: J (00:56:45):
And to see how it goes.
G2: S (00:56:50):
But you haven't registered so far right?
G2: J (00:56:52):
No.
Moderator (00:56:52):
What's kept you from registering?
G2: J (00:56:54):
I'm just waiting to the last minute to the next presidential vote.
Moderator (00:56:59):
You're just waiting for the next presidential?
G2: J (00:57:00):
Yeah.
Moderator (00:57:00):
Okay. But is there any reason that's keeping you or are you just busy with? I mean, what's happening.
G2: J (00:57:06):
Not, not really. I couldn't say.
Moderator (00:57:06):
Mm-hmm.
G2: J (00:57:06):
I just get distracted, most days, from it.

Moderator (00:57:15):

You just get distracted is what you said. That's what you said.

G2: J (00:57:18):

Yes.

Moderator (00:57:19):

Oh okay. Just wanted to make sure.

Moderator (00:57:21):

Itsy, tell me about you. Are you currently registered to vote? What's... what's your situation.

G2: I (00:57:26):

So I was registered to vote in North Carolina. So when I moved here... I think I'm registered to vote in North Carolina, just not in Georgia.

Moderator (00:57:34):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:57:34):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:57:34):

And do you plan on registering to vote? Is it something you're not interested in anymore? Are you - are you like G2: S, and you're just... you're done or do you think you still want to stay involved?

Moderator (00:57:42):

Talk to me a little bit about what where you are.

G2: I (00:57:44):

Yeah, I'm definitely going to stay involved. Just... I need to get my ducks in a row before I do. I guess.

Moderator (00:57:51):

What do you mean?

G2: I (00:57:53):

Just like, you know, moving to a whole new city with nobody here. You kind of just want to settle in and then I'll deal with the political side of Georgia. (laughs)

G2: I (00:58:02):

It's a mess. Sorry I just want to be more informed. I don't want to just go out there and vote, you know? I want to be more informed about their laws, their policies, you know?

Moderator (00:58:11):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:58:12):

Who's in my district? Everything.

Moderator (00:58:13):

So you don't feel that you know enough to be able to participate at this time?

G2: I (00:58:17):

Yeah. That's correct.

Moderator (00:58:17):

Do you have a plan? Do you kind of see yourself doing that in the next 3 months? Three years? Kind of... what kind of plan have you laid out for yourself?

G2: I (00:58:26):

I would say within the next year.

Moderator (00:58:28):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (00:58:28):

Just you know, it's a lot. Politics is a lot and you should take it more seriously.

Moderator (00:58:34):

Mm-hmm, mm-hmm.

Moderator (00:58:34):

But do you feel like your vote would matter if you were to register vote and vote?

G2: I (00:58:38):

I would like to think that it matters.

Moderator (00:58:41):

Do you think your vote matters? If you think your vote would matter?

G2: I (00:58:46):

Yeah.

Moderator (00:58:46):

You would like to think? Or you think?

G2: I (00:58:47):

I'd like to think.

Moderator (00:58:47):

You would like to think.

Moderator (00:58:47):

You would like to think-

G2: I (00:58:47):

I would like to think.

Moderator (00:58:48):

What about you G2: S, you think your vote matters?

G2: S (00:58:52):

Um, I'm kind of waiting to find out. I think it does but you know... I would like to think. (laughs)

Moderator (00:59:00):

You would like to think.

Moderator (00:59:02):

G2: R, what about you? You're currently not registered to vote, what's going on with you?

G2: R (00:59:06):

Like, mostly everybody else- uh. I'm transplanted here so um... moving from [inaudible 00:59:13]Alabama to here. Been here for the last 8 years, um. I just never got around to getting that involved in politics.

G2: R (00:59:28):

And I think the more you understand about the political process, the more you're empowered.

Uh, I think... what's more important than voting is being able to be like the Asian community. The Asian community has the lowest turnout when it comes to voting but they tend to control their communities that they, uh, reside in or that they have business in. Because, you know, the money that they contribute. So, uh, I happen to stay in Cobb county where uh the predominant

people there, their political views on being more conservative tend to reflect what I believe in. So it's in a good position right now to stay that way.

Moderator (01:00:28):

Look, i don't want to put words in your mouth but so what I think I'm hearing you saying is that money matters more than your vote.

G2: R (01:00:38):

Right.

Moderator (01:00:39):

Is that what I'm hearing you're saying?

G2: R (01:00:40):

Yeah, I think the check, uh, matters more to contributing to the matters of your community; more so than voting.

Moderator (01:00:44):

Have you always felt this way or is it something that you've just recently felt?

G2: R (01:00:52):

Uh, just examining the whole political process. I know that, uh, for instance, you know. Uh, I'm Latino and African American and I know in the African American community, we've always had the highest turnout in voting. And I think G2: S here just gave you a perfect example, uh. Of, uh, the African American community turning out and couldn't... under Biden's administration, just by Stacey Abrams helping him win the vote. The, uh, liberal party vote. Uh, and helping deliver the Biden administration to the office back yet.

Moderator (01:01:38):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:01:38):

I've seen them put the Asian community with uh...what is it called? The hate crime reel out.

Moderator (01:01:47):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:01:48):

I've seen them take care of the immigration issue at the border. And, um, the Ukraine and everybody else came way before, I think, the African American community might have gotten a holiday. A Juneteenth holiday out of this whole thing. And that wasn't anything of substance, uh. So, I contribute that to understanding politics more so than... I think an educated voter is more important than a voter.

Moderator (01:02:19):

So even though you all don't vote. Do you pay attention to any of the elections? I mean, it sounds to me like you're paying attention, right G2: S?

G2: S (01:02:25):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:02:25):

What about you, G2: I? Are you paying attention right now? Or are you still kind of-

G2: I (01:02:29):

I mean, I've been paying attention but not looking at it as closely as I would have.

Moderator (01:02:33):

What would it take to change that.

G2: I (01:02:36):

Interest.

Moderator (01:02:37):

Interest?

G2: I (01:02:38):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:02:39):

And what would interest you? What are some of the things that would cause you to be interested?

G2: I (01:02:44):

Um, honestly I'm not sure. Like I said, I came from like college, and I just graduated. And I was kind of forced into that environment of just having to look at election. So I kind of just want to... some air to breathe from it. For these last couple of months.

Moderator (01:03:00):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:03:00):

So... it's just that I haven't been interested because I kind of wanted to get away from it.

Moderator (01:03:05):

What kinds of things might interest you? To get like, candidate's issues... is there anything that might, you'd be like, "Oh, you know what? That interests me, I think I'm going to back in," sort of thing.

G2: I (01:03:15):

I think it's more like, recently, stupidity... I guess, interests me. How stupid these politicians are and just like, how they got into office with... I mean, for lack of a better word, how dumb they are.

G2: S (01:03:34):

Who is they?

G2: I (01:03:36):

Well right now, earlier, I was watching the... what is her name? Marjorie Taylor.

G2: S (01:03:40):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:03:40):

just talking about solar power and wind power and just how... I guess she said, um, she wanted to be able to turn on her lights at the end of the day... at the end of the night, but without the sun she wouldn't be able to. Which to me just didn't make sense?

Moderator (01:03:57):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:03:58):

Because it's just not how that works. But yeah, I guess that interested me and I just laughed. And I got into watching that.

Moderator (01:04:07):

Do you think all politicians are dumb? Or do you think that that's just-

G2: I (01:04:12):

Nah, you know? There are just some out there. For her, as example of what I watched today.

Moderator (01:04:18):

Okay. Um. How about the recent supreme court rulings? Does that have any effect and you wanting to register to vote, G2: S?

G2: S (01:04:29):

Um.

Moderator (01:04:31):

You said, you know, the local politics but what about the supreme court? Has that... would that make you...is that making you feel like you need to?

G2: S (01:04:42):

Well, um, I guess when I was talking about voting- I was just really vote for Georgia, I guess.

Moderator (01:04:48):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (01:04:48):

Because I, technically, I still vote. Not in Michigan-

Moderator (01:04:53):

Oh.

G2: S (01:04:55):

For when the election comes around.

Moderator (01:04:56):

So you're just going to keep your registration in Michigan? You're just going to-

G2: S (01:04:59):

I think so.

Moderator (01:05:01):

Okay. I want to now move to the next section here. You can go to your booklet, to page 3...4.

Um, go to page 4. And on the top part, I want you to write everything. This is the next page G2: R, go turn to the next page, yeah. One more. Yeah, there we go. Uh, on the top part I want you to write everything that comes to mind. The first thing that comes into your mind when you think of the Democratic party. You can just write a word, a sentence, a bullet points, whatever. What's the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the democratic party?

Moderator (01:05:38):

And then on the bottom, I want you to write everything that comes into your mind when it comes to a Republican party. Remember this isn't a test, there is no right or wrong answer, it's just what you feel. What pops into your mind when you think about the Democratic party? And then what comes into your mind when you think of the Republican party? Okay let's talk little bit about the things you all wrote down. Um, what are some of the thing you all wrote down for the Democratic party?

G2: R (01:08:48):

I got, uh, "Extremely liberal; experimental; um, non-traditional". Um.

Moderator (01:09:03):

And what does liberal mean to you?

G2: R (01:09:05):

Um.

Moderator (01:09:05):

Take your time.

G2: R (01:09:08):

Liberal would mean, as we say, open-mindedness.

Moderator (01:09:13):

Okay.

G2: R (01:09:13):

Which can go, you know, for better or worse. Um, one thing I put is, 'experimental', they're willing to try 'non-traditional' paths to building a society or reshape the society. Um, 'non-traditional morals.'

Moderator (01:09:36):

'Non-traditional morals.'

G2: R (01:09:37):

Right.

Moderator (01:09:38):

Can you say more?

G2: R (01:09:39):

Um, they tend to go in a different direction than I guess you could say traditional church values would, uh, illustrate.

Moderator (01:09:53):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:09:53):

Um.

Moderator (01:09:55):

So would call that immoral? Or do you think it's different morality?

G2: R (01:09:59):

Um, the word I used was 'non-traditional'.

Moderator (01:10:02):

Okay.

G2: R (01:10:03):

Uh, not necessarily no morals. It's just different from what the country was founded and what the country promoted.

Moderator (01:10:10):

Okay.

G2: R (01:10:10):

So it seems to be a whole new...I guess a whole new wind.

Moderator (01:10:10):

Okay.

Moderator (01:10:20):

What did you write, G2: I, under Democrats?

G2: I (01:10:22):

I put Hilary Clinton.

Moderator (01:10:24):

Hilary Clinton, okay.

G2: I (01:10:26):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:10:27):

Does she represent? Is that what comes to mind when you? What is it about her and the democratic party?

G2: I (01:10:34):

I guess that it would be that they target certain, like, minority demographics. That being a woman, or a minority. So, I just-

Moderator (01:10:44):

And what does she represent to you?

G2: I (01:10:46):

I guess she represented the vote of the women. Which is what the democratic party wanted during that time.

Moderator (01:10:51):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:10:51):

To go towards that.

G2: R (01:10:51):

Feminists.

G2: I (01:10:51):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:10:56):

Mm-hmm. What did you say G2: R?

G2: R (01:10:57):

Feminists.

Moderator (01:10:58):

Feminists? Okay-

G2: R (01:10:58):

Yes.

Moderator (01:10:59):

G2: J, what did you write under Democrat?

G2: J (01:11:01):

I put young.

Moderator (01:11:03):

Young? (laughs)

G2: J (01:11:03):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:11:03):

Okay.

Moderator (01:11:04):

What makes you say that the Democrats... what, what, what makes young come into your mind when you see Democrats?

G2: J (01:11:10):

Because most of the things that they have is part of the... probably most people will agree with this sort of thing. First time experience, they'll probably go with that.

Moderator (01:11:20):

Okay.

G2: J (01:11:20):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:11:22):

Do you think it appeals to young people then?

G2: J (01:11:25):

Um.

Moderator (01:11:26):

You said they come up with things? Like, can you give us an example maybe?

G2: J (01:11:29):

Uh, I'm not sure. I don't actually have that much experience with a Democrat.

Moderator (01:11:33):

That's okay.

G2: J (01:11:33):

But that's the most I can...[inaudible 01:11:35]

Moderator (01:11:36):

That's fine. That's fine.

Moderator (01:11:37):

G2: S, what did you write for Democrat?

G2: S (01:11:40):

Um, I wrote 'Justice'; 'Agenda'; 'Division'; 'Help from the government'; 'Free [inaudible 01:11:45].

Moderator (01:11:45):

'Division', what do you mean?

G2: S (01:11:50):

Um, that the party... I mean it's one side. So automatically it creates division and separation.

Moderator (01:11:58):

Within the party or with other parties? I mean, what do you mean?

G2: S (01:12:00):

With any other party.

Moderator (01:12:04):

Hmm.

G2: S (01:12:05):

So for Republican, 'Independent'; 'Liberal'-

Moderator (01:12:10):

There was something else you said, what was it again?

G2: S (01:12:17):

I said, 'Justice'; 'Agenda'; 'Division'; 'Help from the government'... so many more leans on the government...

Moderator (01:12:24):

What does 'Agenda' mean? What do you mean by 'Agenda'?

G2: S (01:12:24):

A hidden, like, you know, they all have a hidden agenda. Every political party has an agenda so.

Moderator (01:12:31):

Mm-hmm. Do you know what the Democrat's agenda is or are you just like-

G2: S (01:12:34):

Um, actually, like G2: R said about 'Experimental'. Um, I believe in past history they've definitely been known to experiment quite a bit. And then I said 'Free of Religion'.

Moderator (01:12:54):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (01:12:54):

So they have more of this free-ness... this more independent, like we're not one-way. We're not Christian, we're just, pretty much making our own way, in our own path.

Moderator (01:13:07):

Mm-hmm. Okay. And you see it as a good thing or a bad thing?

G2: S (01:13:12):

Mm, um, it's not. I don't think it's a good thing, no.

Moderator (01:13:18):

Okay.

Moderator (01:13:18):

Uh, what are some of the things you wrote for Republican?

G2: S (01:13:20):

I wrote 'Righteousness'; 'Agenda'; 'Division', 'Independent of government'; and 'Religion'. So the complete opposite, pretty much, of-

Moderator (01:13:31):

Except the-

G2: S (01:13:31):

The Democrats.

Moderator (01:13:32):

Except the 'Division'; and 'Agenda', right?

G2: S (01:13:35):

No, those are the same.

G2: S (01:13:37):

It's 'Righteousness'.

Moderator (01:13:38):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (01:13:38):

So like, they... the Republic party always seem to be more like on the 'Righteous' supposedly. The 'Righteous' side of things. So hint, the abortion, um. That whole thing there-

Moderator (01:13:59):

Mm-hmm.

G2: S (01:13:59):

Just to give an example. But like... always claim that they're doing the... it's the right thing and they put religion behind it to try to-

Moderator (01:14:08):

Mm-hmm

G2: S (01:14:08):

To justify their division and their agenda.

Moderator (01:14:12):

Okay.

Moderator (01:14:14):

What did you write under Republican, G2: J?

G2: J (01:14:15):

Um. I wrote down like reasonings...reasonings.

Moderator (01:14:20):

You wrote down... what did you say?

G2: J (01:14:21):

Uh, reasonings... yeah.

Moderator (01:14:25):

Oh, just read to me what you wrote.

G2: J (01:14:27):

How people have reasonings to agree with the view of the party.

Moderator (01:14:31):

They have reasons to what? I'm sorry.

G2: J (01:14:32):

Reasons to agree with view of that party.

Moderator (01:14:36):

Okay. They give reasons...okay. So they're, um... they're providing reasons for people to agree with them. Is that what you're saying?

G2: J (01:14:46):

Uh-

Moderator (01:14:46):

No.

G2: J (01:14:50):

No, its like. They have to... they have some reasons why...[inaudible 01:14:52], like they have to be in that party. Um, sorry it has to be something else now. Saying it is kind of...sounds off. A little different from what I think it was supposed to be.

G2: I (01:15:04):

Mm-hmm. I kind of get what you're saying.

G2: J (01:15:05):

Yeah.

G2: I (01:15:06):

I mean, I put... I put Donald Trump (laughs) just because he... basically invited the Republic party. He was a conservative and... I don't know, yeah. It's the way that I see him.

Moderator (01:15:20):

That's what you put down, Donald Trump?

G2: I (01:15:21):

Mm-hmm.

Moderator (01:15:24):

And what did you put for Republican, G2: R?

G2: R (01:15:26):

I put, uh, 'Traditional'; 'Family values'; and you can move the 'Traditional' to 'Family Values'- I think they're very comprehensive business man. I heard them say that Trump-

Moderator (01:15:44):

Yeah.

G2: R (01:15:44):

Uh, kind of... uh, exhibits where the Republican is. I think with Trump, really, exhibits is he's a business man. And a lot of people tend to, uh, look at things in the business manner more than the social manner. Especially if you're in business and uh-

Moderator (01:16:04):

Do you consider him a successful businessman?

G2: R (01:16:05):

Yes. I would consider him successful.

Moderator (01:16:08):

How about you, G2: I? Do you think Trump is a successful businessman?

G2: I (01:16:12):

I think he did really well, for the amount of money that he was given. He didn't necessarily pick himself up by his boot straps, as what the Republican claim to be. He was handed that money and then he made his fortune. Well actually, he tanked his first. But then he made a fortune doing what he does.

Moderator (01:16:33):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:16:33):

So yeah, I mean, he did.

Moderator (01:16:33):

Are you saying from his family or are you talking about from being elected in office?

G2: I (01:16:37):

Both. From his family, he definitely got millions and that-

Moderator (01:16:41):

Inheritance, he didn't just like-

G2: I (01:16:42):

Yeah, like as a said. He didn't pick himself from his boot straps, start from nothing.

G2: R (01:16:46):

I think what makes him a master business person. He was able to, uh, leverage his popularity into politics.

Moderator (01:16:56):

Hm.

G2: R (01:16:57):

And became so-called leader of the free world. Which in itself is a business because, once again, you know... politics is business.

Moderator (01:17:07):

Do you think he represents the Republican party? Or do you think he represents something different from the Republican party?

G2: R (01:17:14):

I think he represents business and uh, business is the Republican party. They promote business.

Moderator (01:17:23):

Mm-hmm. What about you G2: I? I know you put him down as the first that comes into your mind. So clearly he represents the party to you?

G2: I (01:17:30):

Um. Like his ideals, yeah.

Moderator (01:17:33):

Okay.

G2: I (01:17:33):

It seems like... I would say like the Republican party itself tries to, like...kind of shift these people into these ideals. So, I guess, like telling him, like, what is the Republican party. And he kind of shift his ideals into saying that when he talks.

Moderator (01:17:51):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:17:52):

I think Trump is a... if you look at his life, he's been very liberal in some of the things that he does; even in his family life. And... but-

G2: R (01:18:03):

... even within his family life, and, but I think he understands business and that's why, you know, you can promote good business.

Moderator (01:18:10):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:18:11):

And the Republican Party, where you will be promoting good business and the Democratic Party, or the-

Moderator (01:18:17):

[inaudible 01:18:17].

G2: R (01:18:18):

... players in that do, uh, benefit from being, you know, in there. They just don't shoot it out to the masses, I think.

Moderator (01:18:27):

So you, I'm sorry. Say that part again. So you think Democrats are also successful. They just don't put it out there. Is that what you're saying?

G2: R (01:18:33):

They don't promote business. The Republican Party promotes business.

Moderator (01:18:37):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:18:38):

The Democratic Party benefit from business, those who are playing in the leading roles, but they don't promote it to, uh, their voters.

Moderator (01:18:48):

So, like, can you give us an example of someone that takes that [inaudible 01:18:51]?

G2: R (01:18:52):

That's in the Democratic Party?

Moderator (01:18:53):

Mm-hmm. That's doing what you just said.

G2: R (01:18:58):

The party, both parties within themselves are funded by business.

Moderator (01:19:02):

Okay. I get you.

G2: R (01:19:02):

So they get the inside scoop on trading everything, but they don't promote that to their base.

Moderator (01:19:08):

I got you. G2: J, what about you? What do you think about Donald Trump?

G2: J (01:19:12):

I don't-

Moderator (01:19:12):

Do you think he's a successful businessman?

G2: J (01:19:13):

Yeah, I don't think more business. I heard a lot about how promoting stuff, to be using his standing to be, uh, president.

Moderator (01:19:22):

Mm-hmm.

G2: J (01:19:22):

So it means he's got... Heard, heard about getting a small loan of a \$1,000,000 from his family and using that to build up more wealth and, I guess, wanted to be president.

Moderator (01:19:36):

G2: I, what about Joe Biden? You put Trump as the Republican, but you didn't put Joe Biden as part of the Democrats.

G2: I (01:19:44):

Well, because he was Republican before. I don't... Well, so was Hillary, but I just, I don't know. I don't...

Moderator (01:19:53):

(laughs) You what? You don't finish that sentence.

G2: I (01:19:54):

(laughs)

Moderator (01:19:55):

You don't think of him-

G2: I (01:19:55):

I think of Joe Biden much, I guess.

Moderator (01:19:57):

Yeah? (laughing) Why not? He's-

G2: I (01:19:57):

I don't know. He's kind of deteriorating. So I just feel kinda...

G2: R (01:20:02):

Oh, [inaudible 01:20:02].

G2: I (01:20:03):

I just feel bad. I just, I don't like to think of him.

Moderator (01:20:06):

Deteriorating in what way, like-

G2: I (01:20:07):
In every sense, is my...
G2: J (01:20:09):
[inaudible 01:20:09].
G2: I (01:20:09):
He's just... Yeah, he's not great.
Moderator (01:20:12):
He's not great?
G2: S (01:20:14):
Mm. Mm-mm.
G2: R (01:20:14):
He's not the sharpest tool, as they would say, I guess.
Moderator (01:20:16):
Mm-hmm.
G2: S (01:20:16):
Brightest color crayon in the color box. (laughing)
Moderator (01:20:19):
So do you think he's... You know, do you think he's like, this is like a recent downfall, or he's like
always sort of been that way? I mean, you don't think he's very sharp either, G2: S? No?
G2: S (01:20:28):
No.
G2: R (01:20:29):
I think, uh, (laughing) he's, he's probably always been a, a savvy, manipulating in the political
field. But today, he just cannot articulate himself. He doesn't come across as being sharp.
Moderator (01:20:43):
And how are you seeing that? Is that like the news or-
G2: R (01:20:44):
In his interviews.
Moderator (01:20:47):
Interviews? Is that the, the news or... Yeah.
G2: R (01:20:49):
It's in the news. I mean-
Moderator (01:20:50):
Yeah, [inaudible 01:20:50].
G2: R (01:20:51):
... anybody that's has sat up and listened to what he has, uh...
G2: I (01:20:54):
His energy.
G2: R (01:20:57):
... speeches, you could hear that he, he's barely reading things off the teleprompter there.
(laughs)
Moderator (01:21:02):
What did you say, G2: I?
G2: I (01:21:03):

Just, just like him talking, I guess, just anything that he talks about, I guess.

Moderator (01:21:09):

And where, where have you seen him? Is it, like, on the news coverage, or TV, or YouTube?

Where are you seeing this that you see that he's-

G2: I (01:21:14):

Just clips.

G2: R (01:21:15):

Yeah.

G2: I (01:21:15):

I, I don't know what, the clips come from. I don't know if that's from YouTube, or-

Moderator (01:21:18):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:21:19):

I don't know. Just clips.

G2: S (01:21:20):

And just [inaudible 01:21:21] linking to the addresses with the [inaudible 01:21:23] or any of his speeches or anything. I'm like, "Okay. What are you saying?"

G2: I (01:21:28):

[inaudible 01:21:28].

Moderator (01:21:29):

Well, I, I wanna ask, do you think the parties are inviting to Latinos, or do you think they're hostile, and they ignore Latinos? What do you think? How do the political parties interact with the Latino community? G2: I, I'll start with you.

G2: I (01:21:43):

I think they want our vote when it comes to voting terms, and then they disregard us once they have it. When they have it, they disregard us.

Moderator (01:21:50):

Got it.

G2: I (01:21:50):

They just don't do anything. They don't do anything to help us.

Moderator (01:21:53):

Yeah. G2: J.

G2: R (01:21:54):

I think-

Moderator (01:21:55):

I'm sorry, go ahead, G2: R.

G2: R (01:21:56):

Okay.

G2: I (01:21:56):

Go ahead.

G2: R (01:21:56):

I think they use, you know, I think, uh, the Latino vote and everything that relates to the Latino vote. Like, the biggest thing has been immigration. I think they've taken, um, uh, the humanitarian issue and politicized it. And both parties are, are involved in it now because it was

Trump who set up the new detention centers that's at the southern border. But the Biden administration has been here, uh, two years almost now and hasn't anything changed.

G2: R (01:22:35):

We still have those same issues that are going on there. So I think he's just holding those people almost as hostage because a lot of people have already got clearance and already had back- background checks. But they're holding them, people in those detention centers, instead of disseminating them out-

Moderator (01:22:54):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:22:54):

... and socializing within, uh, the American Society.

Moderator (01:22:59):

So do you all have an overall positive view or negative view of the Democratic Party? Positive or negative view of the Democratic Party?

G2: R (01:23:07):

In my book, it's negative. I'll look-

Moderator (01:23:11):

Negative?

G2: R (01:23:12):

I will look for some positivity in the Democratic Party. But looking at it from a, a group aspect, uh, I don't know a Democratic-led cities... Very few of the Democratic-led city that is prosperous.

Moderator (01:23:33):

Okay. G2: I, what about you? Negative or positive view of the Democrat Party?

G2: I (01:23:36):

I would say negative, but I'm hopeful.

Moderator (01:23:38):

Hopeful, what gives you hope?

G2: I (01:23:41):

I guess, new generations coming in and changing-

Moderator (01:23:45):

Mm-hmm.

G2: I (01:23:45):

... how, I guess, they handle policies.

Moderator (01:23:48):

Is there any particular politician that comes to mind when you think of that or just generally speaking, you-

G2: I (01:23:53):

I wouldn't just say, generally speaking. I mean, I know AOC has tried to make, like, a few changes, but I don't know.

Moderator (01:24:00):

Mm.

G2: I (01:24:00):

Sometimes I feel like she needs to understand how to control the narrative a little bit, how she presents herself because she can be seen as loud, which is a bad thing. She needs to be able to, I guess, control herself while doing good things.

Moderator (01:24:13):

Okay. G2: J, what do you... Do you have a positive view or a negative view of the Democratic Party?

G2: J (01:24:16):

Mm. I guess, a negative view.

Moderator (01:24:18):

Negative also? Mm-hmm. What makes you feel that way-

G2: J (01:24:21):

Uh...

Moderator (01:24:22):

... or say that?

G2: J (01:24:23):

Uh, this area, like, [inaudible 01:24:25], uh, this is the same by everybody right now. [inaudible 01:24:29].

Moderator (01:24:29):

Just from what you've heard today?

G2: J (01:24:29):

Yeah.

Moderator (01:24:31):

Okay. G2: S, what about you? Negative or positive view of the Democratic Party?

G2: S (01:24:36):

I'm really in the middle.

Moderator (01:24:37):

Okay.

G2: S (01:24:39):

Because I think both parties have their own agenda that they're trying to come across, and, um, I mean, there are some... I think, there are some positive... There's some positive things and-

Moderator (01:24:51):

You, you know, you said agenda for both parties. Who, so who are those agendas serving if they're not serving you? Who are these agendas serving?

G2: S (01:25:00):

Mm. Themselves. The, you know, um, politically. [inaudible 01:25:05] the, the pharmaceutical companies, the, the big corporations, um, food administration, like the, the major, major corporations, like...

Moderator (01:25:17):

Um, we're really short on time, so I just wanna move quickly. Negative positive view on the Republican Party?

G2: S (01:25:24):

I'm in the middle.

Moderator (01:25:25):

Same thing? Why is that?

G2: S (01:25:26):
(laughs) Um, I think I might have more of a positive, uh, view on the Republican Party.

Moderator (01:25:32):
Why is that?

G2: S (01:25:33):
But then, ugh... No.

Moderator (01:25:34):
What makes you feel that way? I mean, what, what is it that makes you feel [inaudible 01:25:37]?

G2: S (01:25:36):
Well, because, I mean, some of the, the, some of the policies of what they stand for, I was saying would, would be righteousness more so based upon, like, um, religious aspects.

Moderator (01:25:48):
Mm-hmm.

G2: S (01:25:48):
And coming from, you know, from more of a Christianity standpoint.

Moderator (01:25:52):
So you don't see the Democrats as being Christian or embodied in Christian values.

G2: S (01:25:57):
No, um they can embody them, but I don't... I see them going with, like, that thing of just, just being independent and just more free.

Moderator (01:26:05):
Okay.

G2: S (01:26:05):
So they don't come to any type of religion or-

Moderator (01:26:10):
Okay.

G2: S (01:26:10):
... not religious. They just do whatever it is that they wanna do.

Moderator (01:26:13):
They're not religious.

G2: S (01:26:14):
Yeah.

Moderator (01:26:14):
Okay. G2: J, what about you? Negative or positive view of the Republican Party?

G2: J (01:26:19):
I say nega- negative.

Moderator (01:26:20):
Negative. What makes you say that?

G2: J (01:26:20):
Um...

Moderator (01:26:25):
No, don't know?

G2: J (01:26:27):

I can't [inaudible 01:26:27].

Moderator (01:26:27):

Well, think about it.

G2: J (01:26:28):

[inaudible 01:26:28].

Moderator (01:26:28):

We'll get back to you. Think about it. We're good. G2: I, what about you? Positive or negative view of the Dem- Republican Party?

G2: I (01:26:32):

Um, I mean, I would say negative.

Moderator (01:26:34):

Uh-huh.

G2: I (01:26:34):

I'm not necessarily positive on either side.

Moderator (01:26:37):

Yeah, not on either. Okay. And G2: R, what about you? Positive or negative of the Republican?

G2: R (01:26:43):

Um, I'm gonna say just off of what they run on, I mean, Republican Party is, is known for promoting families and accountability.

Moderator (01:26:55):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:26:55):

Uh, traditional values, those type of things.

Moderator (01:27:00):

[inaudible 01:27:00].

G2: R (01:27:00):

And then just being more business minded. Uh, there's a lot of things that, you know, we won't be able to change within our lifetime.

Moderator (01:27:08):

Mm-hmm.

G2: R (01:27:09):

But I think if you were more business minded, sometimes you tend to, uh, you know, favor the Republican Party because you're a business person.

Moderator (01:27:17):

I'm gonna ask you. And, uh, this will be the last thing, and we'll let you go. I appreciate I kept you over just a little bit. I apologize, but this will be the last thing. Just write the a- the answer onto this last page, page five. And then you're, you're free to leave. But write down what it would take to get you to register to vote in the upcoming general election here in Georgia. Uh, and, and if you say nothing, just explain what nothing means. Uh, don't just write nothing. Um, perhaps why nothing if you will?

Moderator (01:27:43):

Uh, and then when you get done, you can head on out and check in with the lady in the front.

And I really appreciate you guys coming and being with us today. And if there's anything too that maybe I kind of skipped over really fast because we were kind of going through this pretty

quickly, if there's anything that I, uh, kind of cut you off, or you don't... I don't... I paid for you to wake up in the middle of the night like, "Oh man, I wish I would have said this during the focus group." Uh, by all means, uh, bring it up now. And, uh, let me know what you've done, if you have any thoughts.

G2: I (01:28:34):

Is it [inaudible 01:28:35]?

Moderator (01:28:35):

Yeah, you can just leave it there.

G2: I (01:28:36):

Awesome.

Moderator (01:28:36):

Thank you so much. Thanks, G2: I.

G2: I (01:28:39):

No problem.

Moderator (01:28:39):

And you can leave the door open when you head out, and just check it with the... I think they emailed you your incentive. I [inaudible 01:28:44] find out. And she'll-

G2: I (01:28:45):

All right.

Moderator (01:28:45):

She'll tell you something. Thank you.

G2: I (01:28:47):

You're welcome.

G2: S (01:29:06):

Okay. Thank you.

Moderator (01:29:14):

Thank you so much.

G2: R (01:29:50):

Thank you.

Moderator (01:29:51):

Thank you, G2: R, appreciate it.

G2: R (01:29:51):

That was so enlightening.

Moderator (01:29:51):

[inaudible 01:29:51]. Thank you.

G2: R (01:29:51):

I'm drinking the whole thing. [inaudible 01:29:51].

Moderator (01:29:51):

(laughs)

Moderator (01:29:51):

Okay. Thank you.

G2: J (01:29:51):

Thank you.

Moderator (01:29:51):

Have a good night.

G2: J (01:29:51):

You too.

Moderator (01:29:51):

Thank you so much, G2: J.

[END OF GROUP}

GEORGIA GROUP 3 TRANSCRIPT

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[silencio]	[silence].
[conversación de fondo]	[background conversation].
[00:00:18] Mujer: Thank you.	[00:00:18] Woman: Thank you.
[00:00:19] Moderator: Hola. Buenas noches. Pásale. Se puede sentar donde guste.	[00:00:19] Moderator: Hello. Good evening. Please come in. You can sit wherever you like.
[risas]	[laughs]
[00:00:23] G3: K: Gracias	[00:00:23] G3: K: Thank you
[00:00:24] Moderator: Gracias. Hola, ¿cómo estás?	[00:00:24] Moderator: Thank you. Hello, how are you?
[00:00:28] G3: I: ¿Dónde sea?	[00:00:28] G3: I: Wherever I prefer?
[00:00:29] Moderator: Donde te guste. Buenas Noches, ¿cómo están todos? ¿Bien?	[00:00:29] Moderator: Wherever you like. Good evening, how are you all? Well?
[00:00:38] Varios: Bien.	[00:00:38] Miscellaneous: Good.
[00:00:39] Moderator: Qué bueno. ¿Me hacen el favor de poner sus papelitos de manera que yo los pueda ver? Perfecto. Buenas noches. Yo soy NOMBRE. Yo voy a ser la moderadora hoy de esta conversación que vamos a tener, que va a ser muy interesante.	[00:00:39] Moderator: That's good. Would you please put your papers so that I can see them? Perfect. Good evening. I am NAME. I am going to be the moderator today of this conversation that we are going to have, which is going to be very interesting.
[risas]	[laughs]
[00:00:55] Moderator: Nomás quería repasar unos pocos reglas. Primero. Sí estamos grabando este plática y eso es para que yo no estoy aquí teniendo que escribir notas, so	[00:00:55] Moderator: I just wanted to go over a few rules. First. Yes we are recording this conversation so that I don't have to write notes, so I can pay attention to our

puedo poner atención en nuestra conversación. Luego, después podemos ver la grabación, pero quiero asegurarles que esto no va a salir por el internet ni nada así. Es solamente para los que estamos aquí en nuestros--

[00:01:20] G3: A: No me peiné.

[conversación cruzada]

[risas]

[00:01:25] Moderator: También quiero que hablan, por favor, con voz tan alto como la mía, porque si no, no se graba por la grabación. Si quieres, con la máscara está bien. Nomás bájalo cuando estás hablando y lo puedes subir, porque yo sé ahorita está medio-

[00:01:43] G3: I: Cuidándose.

[00:01:43] Moderator: -cuidándose y eso no es problema. Nomás te lo bajas. Eso sí lo podemos hacer. ¿Qué más? Sí, yo creo que ya les dijeron que apagaran su celular. Algo muy importante esto, ¿yo no se si han participado de esos tipos de grupos anterior?

[00:02:00] G3: A: Es mi primera vez

[00:02:01] Moderator: ¿La primera vez? Qué bueno. Ay, mira nomás. Qué bueno. Lo que estamos tratando de hacer es tener una conversación. No se tienen que esperar hasta que yo los nombre para que digan algo. Nomás pueden hablar cuando quieren, pero si están calladitos o si hablan mucho yo les voy a decir, "Cállense".

[risas]

[00:02:29] Moderator: Hay una persona más que va a llegar, así que no sé si podemos hacer como un lugar para una persona más y podemos traer esa silla por allá. Cuando llegue ella o él, no sé si es él o ella. Es una mujer. Lo importante de estos grupos es que no es una prueba.

conversation. Then later we can listen to the recording, but I want to assure you that this is not going to be on the internet or anything like that. It is only for those of us who are here in our--.

[00:01:20] G3: A: I didn't comb my hair.

[cross talk]

[laughs]

[00:01:25] Moderator: I also want you to speak, please, in a voice as loud as mine, because if not, it is not recorded by the recording. If you want, with the mask it's fine. Just pull them down when you're talking and you can lift them back up, because I know right now it's a little bit-

[00:01:43] G3: I: Taking care of yourself.

[00:01:43] Moderator: -taking care of yourself and that's not a problem. Just put it down. We can do that. What else? Yes, I think you were told to turn off your cell phones. Something very important, I don't know if you have participated in these types of groups before?

[00:02:00] G3: A: It's my first time

[00:02:01] Moderator: The first time? Good for you. Oh, just look. How nice. What we are trying to do is have a conversation. You don't have to wait until I name you to say something. You can just talk when you want to, but if you are quiet or if you talk too much I will tell you, "Be silent".

[laughs]

[00:02:29] Moderator: There is one more person coming, so I don't know if we can make like a place for one more person and we can bring that chair over there. When she or he arrives, I don't know if it's him or her. She is a woman. The important thing about these groups is that it is not a test.

[risas]

[00:02:57] Moderator: Eso es lo bonito. No hay respuestas correctas ni incorrectas. Esto es nomás cómo se sienten sus experiencias. Espero que vamos a tener diferentes experiencias, opiniones. No es pleito aquí, es nomás que vamos a compartir diferentes opiniones.

¿Qué más? Vamos a estar aquí como unos 90 minutos. También, yo soy una moderadora independiente. Yo no tengo nada que hacer con la información, personas, grupos, nada de lo que estamos hablando. Les comparto eso para que sepan que-- Para que sean honestos, para que no piensen, ay se va a sentir "Va a quedar sentida porque estoy hablando mal de otra persona". Yo no tengo nada que hacer con eso. Yo nomás estoy aquí como investigadora, moderadora para hacer esta plática, ¿okay?

Para empezar quiero ir alrededor de la mesa haciendo introducciones. Me pueden decir sus nombres, cuántos años tienen viviendo en Atlanta o en el área de Atlanta y un poquito de sus familiares, si tienen hijos, algo así.

Voy a empezar. Ahora les digo. Yo soy Moderator. Yo no vivo aquí, fíjense. Yo vivo en San Antonio, Texas. Vine aquí. Yo con este trabajo viajo por donde quiera. Yo estoy casada y no tengo hijos, pero sí tengo un perro. Tengo hijos de cuatro patas. Tengo un perro y un gato, o gata, que ella me deja vivir en la casa porque ella manda.

[risas]

[00:04:27] Moderator: Eso soy yo. Vamos a seguir aquí, G3: CE, y vamos a ir alrededor de la mesa.

[00:04:31] G3: CE: Soy G3: CE. Tengo 20 años aquí en Georgia. Estoy casada. Tengo una hija. También soy de Texas. En dos semanas voy para San Antonio. Sí. ¿Qué más? Tengo un perro y un gato también porque mi hija ya es adulta. ¿Qué más?

[laughs]

[00:02:57] Moderator: That's the beauty of it. There are no right or wrong answers. This is just how you feel about your experiences. I hope we will have different experiences, different opinions. There is no quarrel here, it is just that we are going to share different opinions.

What else? We're going to be here for about 90 minutes. Also, I am an independent moderator. I have nothing to do with the information, people, groups, anything we are talking about. I share that with you so that you know that-- So that you can be honest, so that you don't think, "She's going to look sorry because I'm talking bad about someone else." I have nothing to do with it. I'm just here as a researcher, moderator to do this talk, okay?

To begin with, I want to go around the table making introductions. Can you tell me your names, how many years you have lived in Atlanta or in the Atlanta area and a little bit about your family members, if you have children, something like that.

I'm going to start. Now I tell you. I am NAME. I don't live here. I live in San Antonio, Texas. I came here. With this job, I travel wherever I want. I am married and have no children, but I do have a dog. I have four-legged children. I have a dog and a cat, or cat, that she lets me live in the house because she's the boss.

[laughs]

[00:04:27] Moderator: That's me. We're going to continue here, G3: CE, and we're going to go around the table.

[00:04:31] G3: CE: I'm G3: CE. I have 20 years here in Georgia. I am married. I have a daughter. I am also from Texas. In two weeks I'm going to San Antonio. What else? I have a dog and a cat as well because my daughter is an adult. What else?

<p>[00:04:57] Moderator: Eso.</p> <p>[00:04:58] G3: CE: Okay.</p> <p>[risas]</p> <p>[00:05:01] G3: K: Yo soy G3: K. Tengo unos ocho años aquí en Atlanta. Tengo dos hijas, tengo dos perritos y dos guinea pigs. Yo no quería guinea pigs. [risas] Ella me dijo que yo se los pedí y se los pedí cuando estaba tomada. En ese momento ya no estaba tomada. Yo crecí en San Diego.</p> <p>[00:05:31] Moderator: Gracias, G3: K.</p> <p>[00:05:33] G3: A: Hola. Yo soy G3: A Álvarez. Yo tuve tres hijos. No sé si estoy casada. No estoy divorciada, pero no sé si sigo casada. [risas] Tuve tres hijos. Uno de ellos, el mayor, vive en California. Yo soy de California. Tengo mi bebé aquí que tiene 11 años y mi hijo del medio falleció hace cuatro años. Es la razón por la que yo me moví para acá a Georgia. El 27 de agosto voy a cumplir cuatro años aquí en Georgia. También tengo un perrito. Yo le digo que él es mi nieto, porque era el perrito de mi hijo el que falleció. Mi hijo falleció a los 17 años en un accidente automovilístico. Ese perrito es mi vida.</p> <p>[00:06:13] Moderator: Sí. Entiendo.</p> <p>[00:06:14] G3: A: Soy originaria de California.</p> <p>[00:06:16] Moderator: Gracias por compartir eso tan personal. Le agradezco. ¿G3: CS?</p> <p>[00:06:21] G3: CS: Mi nombre es G3: CS. Tengo 20 años de estar acá en el área de Atlanta. Soy casado. Tengo tres hijos, ya todos adultos. Todos ya tienen su vida. Tengo dos perritos shih tzu en este momento.</p> <p>[00:06:38] Moderator: Qué Bueno. Gracias, G3: CS. ¿Qué haces por trabajo?</p>	<p>[00:04:57] Moderator: Just that.</p> <p>[00:04:58] G3: CE: Okay.</p> <p>[laughs]</p> <p>[00:05:01] G3: K: I am G3: K. I have about eight years here in Atlanta. I have two daughters, two puppies and two guinea pigs. I didn't want guinea pigs. [laughs] She told me that I asked for them and I asked for them when I was drunk. At that time I was no longer drunk. I grew up in San Diego.</p> <p>[00:05:31] Moderator: Thank you, G3: K.</p> <p>[00:05:33] G3: A: Hello. I am G3: A Alvarez. I had three children. I don't know if I am married. I am not divorced, but I don't know if I am still married. [laughs] I had three children. One of them, the oldest, lives in California. I am from California. I have my baby here who is 11 years old and my middle son passed away four years ago. That's why I moved here to Georgia. On August 27, I have four years living here in Georgia. I also have a puppy. I tell him that he is my grandson, because it was my son's little dog who passed away. My son died at age 17 in a car accident. That little dog is my life.</p> <p>[00:06:13] Moderator: Yes. I understand.</p> <p>[00:06:14] G3: A: I'm originally from California.</p> <p>[00:06:16] Moderator: Thank you for sharing something so very personal. Thank you. G3: CS?</p> <p>[00:06:21] G3: CS: My name is G3: CS. I have been here in the Atlanta area for 20 years. I am married. I have three children, all grown up. Everyone already has a life. I have two shih tzu puppies at the moment.</p> <p>[00:06:38] Moderator: How nice. Thank you, G3: CS. What do you do for work?</p>
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[00:06:41] G3: CS: En este momento me encargo de delivery, tanto de personas como de artículos, de clóset y de todo lo que tiene que ver con delivery.

[00:06:52] Moderator: Okay. Gracias.

[00:06:54] G3: I: Mi nombre es G3: I. Tengo 15 años viviendo acá en Estados Unidos. Aquí en Atlanta tengo cinco años. Tengo una hija con la que vivo y tengo un perrito también.

[00:07:06] Moderator: ¿De dónde vienes?

[00:07:07] G3: I: Yo soy de Colombia.

[00:07:09] Moderator: Bienvenida.

[00:07:11] G3: J: Mi nombre es G3: J Salazar. Estoy casado. Soy de Houston, Texas. Tengo 35 años aquí en el área de Atlanta. Tuve cuatro hijos. Uno falleció el año pasado. Tenía 19 años. Tengo tres; uno que tiene 18, de 16 y 12.

[00:07:36] Moderator: Gracias también por compartir, algo tan personal. Vamos a seguir adelante con la conversación y cuando llegue la señorita que nos va a acompañar, luego ella puede hacer su breve presentación. Todos tienen aquí en frente de ustedes un folletito. Si me puede poner su primer nombre. Vamos a pasar a la primera y segunda página. Esta es una lista de diferentes temas y por cada uno quiero que indique qué tan importante es ese tema para usted. En una escala entre cero y diez. Cero significa que es nada importante y diez significa que es súper muy importante. Hay dos páginas. Por favor, me llenan las dos páginas. Luego, cuando terminen con las dos páginas quiero que pongan una estrella en la que es la más importante de todos para usted.

[00:08:32] G3: I: ¿De las dos páginas?

[00:08:33] Moderator: De las dos páginas.

[00:06:41] G3: CS: At the moment I am in charge of delivery, both of people and of articles, of closets and of everything that has to do with delivery.

[00:06:52] Moderator: Okay. Thank you.

[00:06:54] G3: I: My name is G3: I. I have been living here in the United States for 15 years. Here in Atlanta I have five years. I have a daughter that I live with and I have a little dog as well.

[00:07:06] Moderator: Where do you come from?

[00:07:07] G3: I: I am from Colombia.

[00:07:09] Moderator: Welcome.

[00:07:11] G3: J: My name is G3: J Salazar. I am married. I am from Houston, Texas. I have lived 35 years here in the Atlanta area. I had four children. One passed away last year. He was 19 years old. I have three; one who is 18, 16 and 12.

[00:07:36] Moderator: Thank you also for sharing, something so personal. Let's go ahead with the conversation and when the lady who is going to accompany us arrives, then she can make her brief presentation. You all have here in front of you a little leaflet. If you can give me your first name. Let's turn to the first and second pages. This is a list of different topics and for each one I want you to indicate how important that topic is to you. On a scale between zero and ten. Zero means it is not important at all and ten means it is super very important. There are two pages. Please fill both pages. Then, when you are done with the two pages I want you to put a star on the one that is the most important of all to you.

[00:08:32] G3: I: From the two pages?

[00:08:33] Moderator: From the two pages.

[00:08:34] G3: I: ¿Le pones una estrellita al lado?

[00:08:37] Moderator: A la más importante entre las dos páginas. Nos tomará unos momentitos para llenar eso. Pásale. Hello. Come on in. Hi.

[00:08:54] G3: L: Hi.

[00:08:54] Moderator: Bienvenida.

[00:08:55] G3: L: Gracias.

[00:08:56] Moderator: Ya ahí tengo su librito.
G3: L. Hola, G3: L. Ya han sido las presentaciones, pero si nada más nos puedes decir un poquito de cuántos años has tenido aquí, qué trabajo haces, cuántos hijos, si estás casada, ¿cómo es la cosa?

[00:09:16] G3: L: Okay. G3: L Castillo, peruana, casada, dos hijos, 15 y 12 años. Principalmente ama de casa. Lo combino con marketing. Un poco más de un año-- Un año prácticamente en Atlanta.

[00:09:30] Moderator: Gracias. Bueno, estamos ahorita en un--

[00:09:34] G3: L: Soy peruana. Original.

[00:09:36] Moderator: Sí, okay. El librito este, estaba viendo la segunda y tercera página, que son una lista de temas. Quiero que indique qué tan importante es estos temas cada uno para hacer una escala entre cero y diez. Donde cero significa que no es nada importante y diez significa que es muy importante. Después cuando calificas todas las de las dos páginas le pones una estrella en la que más-- De todas todas, la más importante.

[00:10:05] G3: A: Cuando dice de todas de todas, ¿es individualmente la pregunta o en la página? ¿Cuál de las preguntas?

[00:08:34] G3: I: Do you put a little star next to it?

[00:08:37] Moderator: To the most important one between the two pages. It will take us a few moments to fill that in. Hello. Come on in. Hi.

[00:08:54] G3: L: Hi.

[00:08:54] Moderator: Welcome.

[00:08:55] G3: L: Thank you.

[00:08:56] Moderator: I already have your booklet there. G3: L. Hello, G3: L. There have already been introductions, but if you can just tell us a little bit about how many years you have been here, what job you do, how many children, if you are married, what is it like?

[00:09:16] G3: L: Okay. G3: L Castillo, Peruvian, married, two children, 15 and 12 years old. Mainly housewife. I combine it with marketing. A little over a year--A year practically in Atlanta.

[00:09:30] Moderator: Thank you. Well, we're in a--

[00:09:34] G3: L: I am Peruvian. Original.

[00:09:36] Moderator: Yeah, okay. This booklet, I was looking at the second and third pages, which are a list of topics. I want you to indicate how important each of these topics is on a scale between zero and ten. Where zero means it is not important at all and ten means it is very important. Then when you rate all the ones on the two pages you put a star on the one that is the most... Of all of them, the most important one.

[00:10:05] G3: A: When you say of all of them, is that individually the question or on the page? Which of the questions?

[00:10:12] G3: CE: One of each or just one?

[00:10:12] G3: CE: ¿Una de cada una o nada más una?

[00:10:14] Moderator: Nomás una. De todos, que son 15, nomás uno de los 15, que es la más importante. Yo sé que es un poco difícil, pero la que ahorita en este momento te pega como superimportante.

[pausa 00:10:31]

[00:11:01] G3: I: ¿Este también?

[00:11:03] Moderator: Sí, nomás son dos páginas. ¿Listos? Quiero ir alrededor de la mesa. Si me hacen el favor de decir cuál fue la que pusiste una estrella. G3: J.

[00:11:28] G3: J: Inflación y aumento de los costos.

[00:11:31] Moderator: Inflación. G3: I.

[00:11:33] G3: I: Yo le puse a varios.

[risas]

[00:11:36] Moderator: Es una. Nada más es una.

[00:11:37] G3: I: ¿Nomás era una?

[00:11:38] Moderator: Sí. De las dos páginas, ¿cuál era la más importante?

[00:11:43] G3: I: De las dos páginas, la más importante. A ver. Yo le puse a varias, pero voy a decidir para mí en este momento la más importante es la inmigración.

[00:11:53] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿para ti?

[00:11:55] G3: CS: La educación.

[00:11:57] Moderator: G3: L.

[00:11:58] G3: L: Cuidado y la salud.

[00:12:00] Moderator: G3: A.

[00:10:14] Moderator: Only one. Of all 15, only one of the 15, which is the most important. I know it's a little difficult, but the one that right now hits you as super-important.

[pause 00:10:31]

[00:11:01] G3: I: This one too?

[00:11:03] Moderator: Yes, it's only two pages. Ready? I want to go around the table. If you would be so kind as to tell me which one you put a star. G3: J.

[00:11:28] G3: J: Inflation and rising costs.

[00:11:31] Moderator: Inflation. G3: I.

[00:11:33] G3: I: I put several.

[laughs]

[00:11:36] Moderator: It's a. It is just one.

[00:11:37] G3: I: It was just one?

[00:11:38] Moderator: Yes. Of the two pages, which was the more important?

[00:11:43] G3: I: Of the two pages, the most important. Let's see. I put several, but I am going to decide for me at this moment the most important one is immigration.

[00:11:53] Moderator: G3: CS, for you?

[00:11:55] G3: CS: Education.

[00:11:57] Moderator: G3: L.

[00:11:58] G3: L: Health care.

[00:12:00] Moderator: G3: A.

[00:12:00] G3: A: Education.

[00:12:00] G3: A: Educación.

[00:12:03] Moderator: G3: K.

[00:12:03] G3: K: Aborto.

[00:12:05] Moderator: G3: CE.

[00:12:06] G3: CE: Inflación--

[00:12:07] Moderator: Inflación y--

[00:12:08] G3: CE: Impuesto de la--

[00:12:10] Moderator: Inflación y aumento de costo. Perfecto. Porque G3: CE y G3: J, los dos seleccionaron inflación, ¿me puedes platicar un poco por qué esa es tan importante para ti ahorita en este momento? ¿Qué está pasando?

[00:12:26] G3: J: Es que con mi opinión, todo lo que ha pasado en los últimos dos años gente dejaron de trabajar. Por milagro yo puedo comprar una casa en 2020 ya cuando estaba empezando todo esto. Desde el momento que mi esposa, mi familia y yo nos mudamos, por milagro agarramos un precio bueno de la casa. Ya ahora la casa que tenemos aumentó en valor como más de \$150.000. Si esperábamos un poco más tiempo, no íbamos a conseguir casa. Con la gasolina, todo, uno tiene que trabajar más.

[00:13:12] Moderator: Cuando estás hablando de los últimos dos años, ¿qué pasó? ¿De qué estás hablando?

[00:13:18] G3: J: Para mí, la economía se paró porque gente dejando de trabajar, el Gobierno dio dinero.

[00:13:25] Moderator: Por la pandemia.

[00:13:26] G3: J: Sí, por la pandemia. Dio dinero. Yo no estoy diciendo que no se lo merecieron, pero la gente que estaban trabajando como yo, yo no dejé de trabajar. Había mucha gente recibiendo más de lo que

[00:12:03] Moderator: G3: K.

[00:12:03] G3: K: Abortion.

[00:12:05] Moderator: G3: CE.

[00:12:06] G3: CE: Inflation--

[00:12:07] Moderator: Inflation and--

[00:12:08] G3: CE: VAT--

[00:12:10] Moderator: Inflation and cost increase. Perfect. Because G3: CE and G3: J, you both selected inflation, can you tell me a little bit about why that is so important for you right now? What is going on?

[00:12:26] G3: J: It's just that with my opinion, everything that's happened in the last two years people stopped working. By a miracle I could buy a house in 2020 already when all this was starting. From the moment my wife, family and I moved in, we miraculously got a good price on the house. Already now the house has increased in value by over \$150,000. If we waited a little longer, we were not going to get a house. With gasoline, everything, one has to work harder.

[00:13:12] Moderator: When you're talking about the last two years, what happened? What are you talking about?

[00:13:18] G3: J: For me, the economy stopped because people stopping working, the government gave money.

[00:13:25] Moderator: Because of the pandemic.

[00:13:26] G3: J: Yes, because of the pandemic. Gave money. I'm not saying they didn't deserve it, but the people who were working like me, I didn't stop working. There were a lot of people getting more than I was earning. This discourages one. I say, "You

estaba ganando yo. Eso uno se desanima. Digo, "¿Sabes qué? ¿Por qué no he dejado mi trabajo?". Al mismo tiempo ese dinero nomás era temporal.

Ya después yo dándome cuenta que todo eso se tiene que pagar de nuevo. Ya la economía que se restableció por un momento, la comida, la gasolina, las casas, aunque ya están bajando el valor de las casas, el interés está aumentando por el valor. La renta, si vives en un apartamento de una recámara uno paga casi el doble de lo que pagábamos hace cinco años. Se hace más difícil entre más uno tiene que gastar. Ya uno se acostumbró.

[00:14:28] Moderator: ¿Quién es culpable por todo esto? ¿La pandemia?

[00:14:33] G3: J: La verdad hay muchos factores. Yo no entiendo cómo el Gobierno gasta, usa el dinero, utiliza el dinero que tienen. Tienen dinero para algunas cosas, pero para otras cosas sí tienen.

[00:14:48] Moderator: ¿Me da un ejemplo?

[00:14:49] G3: J: Digamos, la gente que perdieron su trabajo. Como Delta perdió muchos trabajadores. Muchas organizaciones que tenían trabajadores esenciales. Yo no quise trabajar y trabajaba horas para [unintelligible 00:15:03] yo dejaba el trabajo. Me iban a dar \$900, encima de lo del desempleo que daba el Estado, estaba ganando mucho más. Se me hace más valioso no trabajar y ganar eso. Todo lo de protección, todo lo del costo de trabajadores, todo aumentó.

[00:15:27] Moderator: G3: CE, tú también pusiste inflación y aumento de costos. ¿Me puedes platicar por qué es tan importante para ti?

[00:15:36] G3: CE: Nomás cuando vas a la tienda todo ya subió. En leche, antes tú pagabas por medio galón \$1,89. Ahora ya

know what? Why didn't I quit my job?". At the same time, this money was only temporary. Then I realized that all this has to be paid for again. Already the economy that was restored for a moment, food, gasoline, houses, although they are already lowering the value of the houses, the interest is increasing because of the value. Rent, if you live in a one-bedroom apartment you pay almost double what we were paying five years ago. It gets harder the more you have to spend. You get used to it.

[00:14:28] Moderator: Who is to blame for all this? The pandemic?

[00:14:33] G3: J: The truth is there are many factors. I don't understand how the government spends, uses the money, uses the money they have. They have money for some things, but for other things they do have.

[00:14:48] Moderator: Can you give me an example?

[00:14:49] G3: J: Let's say, people who lost their jobs. Like Delta, they lost many workers. Many organizations that had essential workers. I didn't want to work and worked hours for [unintelligible 00:15:03] I would quit the job. They were going to give me \$900, on top of the unemployment benefits the state was giving me, I was earning much more. It is more valuable to me not to work and earn that. Everything about protection, everything about the cost of workers, everything increased.

[00:15:27] Moderator: G3: CE, you also put inflation and cost increases. Can you tell me why it is so important to you?

[00:15:36] G3: CE: Just when you go to the store everything is already up. In milk, you used to pay \$1.89 per half gallon. Now it's up to almost \$3, all of it. Your paycheck that you receive weekly or every two weeks to pay the

está en casi \$3, todo eso. Tu cheque que recibes semanal o cada dos semanas tienes que pagar la renta, el carro, los bills y ya subieron todo. Te dejan menos para el mandado que te cuesta y tienes que comer.

[00:16:07] Moderator: En tu punto de vista, ¿quién es culpable de eso? Del aumento y de la inflación.

[00:16:16] G3: CE: Pandemic tiene mucho, yo entiendo, pero también Biden dando dinero, como él dice. Mucha gente tenía trabajo, les recortaron las horas, pero vieron que les estaban dando un dinero, más ganaban. Yo sí escuchaba cuando decía la gente, "Ganamos más estando en la casa". Cuando ahora no hay empleados suben los precios, no hay empleados para hacer esto, no hay empleados para hacer lo otro.

[00:16:49] Moderator: ¿Alguien está de acuerdo de lo que dice G3: CE acerca de Biden o a lo mejor es al contrario? G3: K, ¿estás así?

[00:16:55] G3: K: Yo sí estoy de acuerdo a pesar de todo. Mucha gente piensa que con Biden-- Yo voté por Biden, sí, y si vuelve no voto por él.

[00:17:13] Moderator: ¿Por qué no?

[00:17:16] G3: K: Porque se me hace que no está haciendo nada para su país. Está haciendo algo como yo digo, "¿Por qué está gastando y mandando billones a Ucrania cuando tu país está sufriendo? Hay cositas así que nomás no--

[00:17:33] Moderator: ¿Sabes por quién vas a votar? ¿Vas votar?

[00:17:37] G3: K: Voy a votar, sí. Yo creo que si vuelve Trump voy a votar por Trump.

rent, the car, bills, etc. bills and they've already raised everything. They leave you less for the groceries that cost you and you have to eat.

[00:16:07] Moderator: In your view, who is guilty of that? Of the increase and inflation?

[00:16:16] G3: CE: The pandemic is largely to blame, I understand, but also Biden giving money, as he says. A lot of people had jobs, their hours were cut, but they saw that they were getting paid, they earned more. I did hear people say, "We earn more when we are in the house". When there are no employees now, prices go up, there are no employees to do this, there are no employees to do that.

[00:16:49] Moderator: Does anyone agree with what G3: CE says about Biden or maybe it's the other way around? G3: K, do you agree?

[00:16:55] G3: K: I do agree regardless. A lot of people think that with Biden--I voted for Biden, yes, and if he comes back I won't vote for him.

[00:17:13] Moderator: Why not?

[00:17:16] G3: K: Because it seems to me that he is not doing anything for his country. He's doing something like I say, "Why is he spending and sending billions to Ukraine while your country is suffering? There are little things like this that just don't--

[00:17:33] Moderator: Do you know who you're going to vote for? Are you going to vote?

[00:17:37] G3: K: I'm going to vote, yes. I think if Trump comes back I'm going to vote for Trump.

[00:17:45] Moderator: Does anyone agree or oppose?

[00:17:45] Moderator: ¿Alguien está de acuerdo o en contra?

[00:17:49] G3: CE: Yo, en contra.

[00:17:49] Moderator: ¿En contra? ¿Alguien en contra de esto? G3: CS, ¿qué piensas?

[00:17:53] G3: L: Bueno.

[risas]

[00:17:54] Moderator: Invita a G3: CS a que siga. Espero que vamos a tener diferentes opiniones y está bien. Aquí estamos de nomás charlar, no hay que tener vergüenza. Si te sientes diferente está bien.

[00:18:07] G3: CS: De pronto Biden ha cometido su falta de atención sobre lo que prometió, eso es cierto.

[00:18:15] Moderator: ¿Sí piensas que él ha quebrado sus promesas?

[00:18:18] G3: CS: De pronto no ha cumplido todo lo que dice, pero también hay que tener presente de que se le presentó un evento que no es fácil de manejar, como la pandemia.

[00:18:27] G3: K: Pero ya estaba ese evento antes de que él entrara.

[00:18:31] G3: CS: Está avanzando.

[00:18:31] Moderator: Deja que él conteste.

[00:18:35] G3: CS: Efectivamente, si se presentara Trump otra vez, no votaría por Trump. Ese señor no tiene las bases suficientes de capacidades intelectuales ni conocimiento para manejar un país como este. Él cree que el dinero que tiene es suficiente y el solo hecho de haber hecho dinero como lo hizo él. Vino de familia de dinero. Él lo que hizo fue multiplicarlo e invertirlo en forma adecuada, como le indicara [unintelligible 00:19:03]. Yo pienso

[00:17:49] G3: CE: I'm opposed

[00:17:49] Moderator: Against? Anybody against this? G3: CS, what do you think?

[00:17:53] G3: L: Well.

[laughs]

[00:17:54] Moderator: I'll ask G3: CS to follow. I hope we are going to have different opinions and that's fine. Here we are just chatting, there is no need to be ashamed. If you feel differently, that's okay.

[00:18:07] G3: CS: Suddenly Biden has committed his inattention to what he promised, that's true.

[00:18:15] Moderator: Do you think he has broken his promises?

[00:18:18] G3: CS: Perhaps he has not fulfilled everything he says, but we must also keep in mind that he was presented with an event that is not easy to handle, like the pandemic.

[00:18:27] G3: K: But there was already that event before he came in.

[00:18:31] G3: CS: It's moving forward.

[00:18:31] Moderator: Let him answer.

[00:18:35] G3: CS: Indeed, if Trump were to run again, I would not vote for Trump. This gentleman does not have sufficient intellectual capacity or knowledge to manage a country like this one. He believes that the money he has is enough and the mere fact that he has made money as he did. It came from a family of money. What he did was he multiplied it and invested it in the proper way, as he was instructed by [unintelligible 00:19:03]. I think education, for me, is the most important thing.

que la educación, para mí, es lo más importante.

[00:19:10] Moderator: Para ti pusiste educación.

[00:19:11] G3: CS: Sí, la educación. Yo soy cristiano. Como dice la palabra de Dios en Oseas, "Mi pueblo perece por falta de conocimiento". Cuando uno conoce, que uno tiene las bases adecuadas, ya puede decidir sobre todos y cada uno de los demás temas. Sobre el coronavirus, entender qué es eso y que tienes que estudiar sobre economía, entender los cuidados de la salud, el derecho al voto, todo lo demás.

Para mí lo importante es la educación. Si no tuviéramos la posibilidad de encaminar a todos los seres humanos a educarse desde pequeño, estoy seguro de que se evitarían muchos problemas durante el desarrollo de su vida. Por eso seleccioné la educación. De todos esos temas, el que es más importante para mí es la educación.

[00:19:57] Moderator: G3: A, tú también pusiste educación. ¿Me puedes explicar un poco de eso?

[00:20:01] G3: A: Sí, como estaba comentando él. Una de las cosas que-- Había brincado de la educación a la política. Él está mencionando de que él no votaría por Trump. Yo estaba en desacuerdo con Trump porque en el tiempo que él estuvo de presidente se levantó mucho el racismo, pero la economía del país yo siento que se balanceó. Es cierto, él tiene dinero. Vuelvo a lo mismo, lo que el señor Trump tenía es que no tenía frenos. Él dice todo lo que se le viene, lo sacaba, pero el país no estaba tan mal como está ahorita en la economía. Yo pienso que la educación, para mí, yo pienso que es algo de lo más importante, tanto ahorita como para el futuro como desde antes. Como estaba diciendo el señor, tenemos que saber precisamente cómo preparar a nuestros hijos para un mejor futuro, siendo lo que estamos viendo nosotros ahorita, lo que ellos están

[00:19:10] Moderator: For you, you put education.

[00:19:11] G3: CS: Yes, education. I am a Christian. As the word of God says in Hosea, "My people perish for lack of knowledge". When you know that you have the right foundations, you can decide on each and every other issue. About the coronavirus, understanding what that is and that you have to study about economics, understanding health care, voting rights, everything else. For me the important thing is education. If we did not have the possibility of directing all human beings to educate themselves from an early age, I am sure that many problems would be avoided during the development of their lives. That is why I selected education. Of all these issues, the one that is most important to me is education.

[00:19:57] Moderator: G3: A, you also put education. Can you explain a little bit about that?

[00:20:01] G3: A: Yes, as he was commenting on it. One of the things that--I had jumped from education to politics. He is mentioning that he would not vote for Trump. I disagreed with Trump because in the time he was president racism seemed to increase, but the country's economy I feel was balanced. That's right, he has money. I come back to the same thing, what Mr. Trump had is that he had no brakes. He says everything that comes to him, he would take it out, but the country was not as bad as it is now in the economy.

I think that education, for me, I think it is one of the most important things, both now and for the future as well as before. As the gentleman was saying, we have to know precisely how to prepare our children for a better future, being what we are seeing right now, what they are experiencing. We need to educate them, we need them to know so that they can hopefully make something much better out of this country.

pereciendo. Necesitamos eduG3: CS, necesitamos que ellos sepan para que ellos ojalá y puedan hacer algo mucho mejor de este país.

[00:21:07] Moderator: G3: L, pusiste cuidados de salud lo más importante. ¿Me puedes explicar un poquito por qué eso es tan importante para ti?

[00:21:14] G3: L: Porque sin salud hasta uno se puede morir. No hay discusión. Básicamente por ese motivo. Pienso que la salud es lo más importante. Con salud ya hacemos todo lo demás. Hablando de política, yo voté por Trump y volvería a votar por él. También soy cristiana. Justamente cogiendo el versículo de G3: CS, "Por falta de conocimiento el pueblo de Dios perece". Yo leo muchas fuentes. Creo que las elecciones fueron robadas, fueron adulteradas, fueron manipuladas. Por lo tanto, el señor Biden es un usurpador y obviamente con un propósito. Hay una agenda detrás de todo eso que es establecer un nuevo orden mundial. Hay videos, hay información de la época de Obama y antes inclusive. Diferentes personas en posición política de mucha influencia a nivel mundial prácticamente promoviendo el establecimiento de un nuevo orden. Considero que la pandemia fue una propaganda para contribuir al cumplimiento de esa agenda y el establecimiento de ese nuevo orden. Afectando la economía, obviamente afectando la salud de las personas, más con una propaganda de pánico, desinformación e inclusive manipulación en el tratamiento de los síntomas del supuesto COVID en los hospitales con medicinas que atentan contra la vida de las personas. Ya está comprobado que usaron una medicina, Remdesivir, que mató a las personas. Lo que mató a las personas no fue COVID sino fue una medicina, un mal protocolo.

[00:23:36] Moderator: Vamos a seguir. A ver, G3: I, pusiste inmigración. ¿Puedes platicar un poco de eso?

[00:21:07] Moderator: G3: L, you put health care as the most important thing. Can you explain a little bit why that is so important to you?

[00:21:14] G3: L: Because without health even one can die. There is no discussion. Basically for that reason. I think health is the most important thing. With health we do everything else. Speaking of politics, I voted for Trump and would vote for him again. vote for him again. I am also a Christian. Justly taking G3: CS' verse, "For lack of knowledge the people of God perish". I read a lot of sources. I believe that the elections were stolen, they were adulterated, they were manipulated. Therefore, Mr. Biden is a usurper and obviously with a purpose. There is an agenda behind it all which is to establish a new world order. There are videos, there is information from Obama's time and even before. Different people in very influential political positions worldwide are practically promoting the establishment of a new order. I believe that the pandemic was propaganda to contribute to the fulfillment of that agenda and the establishment of that new order. Affecting the economy, obviously affecting people's health, more with a panic propaganda, misinformation and even manipulation in the treatment of the symptoms of the alleged COVID in hospitals with medicines that threaten people's lives. It is already proven that they used a medicine, Remdesivir, which killed people. What killed people was not COVID but a medicine, a bad protocol.

[00:23:36] Moderator: We're going to continue. Let's see, G3: I, you put immigration. Can you talk a little bit about that?

[00:23:44] G3: I: A mí la parte de inmigración-- Siempre sentí que para mí Trump no está de acuerdo con que los inmigrantes estemos acá, porque él tiene una forma de pensar que es respetable. Yo en realidad no quiero ahondar en eso, pero para mí él es una persona que viene primero que todo de una educación y de una descendencia en que el racismo para él es lo más importante. El tipo de raza por lo que él viene es un tipo de raza tipo alemán, si se puede llamar de esa manera, en que ellos no permitían la mezcla de razas.

Para mí él fue muy tajante en esa parte, en la parte de inmigración, de los inmigrantes en su época de mandato. Es más, habían muchas redadas, mucha gente totalmente sacada de este país así como los animales, porque así lo vimos. Eso, ¿qué pasó? Que los hispanos y la gente latina que podía votar, en el momento de votar se fueron en contra de él y apoyaron a Biden. Biden estaba presentando una solución parcial a los inmigrantes. ¿Que no la ha cumplido? No la ha cumplido. Yo pienso algo, que los presidentes siempre se rodean-- La gente que está en el Gobierno y que llega a la presidencia, él no llega a la presidencia por sí solo. Eso es una maquinaria inmensa que todo está fríamente calculado y está todo bien sincronizado.

Él no se sube porque, "Yo quiero ser el presidente y me voy a subir", no. Eso es una maquinaria que tiene una cantidad de componentes y de personas que lo rodean y él no es el único que manda. Ahí manda un poco de gente, muchísima gente manda alrededor del él. De pronto las intenciones que él tenía, como el gancho para agarrar a los hispanos y a los latinos que votamos muchísimo por él, ese fue como el espaldarazo que tuvieron los inmigrantes para sentirse que iban a tener un respaldo. Fíjate que hay un abogado muy famoso que cuando dio el aviso de que toda la gente que había entrado hasta el 2020, hasta el 31 de diciembre del 2020, iban a ser legalizados. La gente se puso-- Yo creo que todos

[00:23:44] G3: I: To me the immigration part--I always felt that for me Trump doesn't agree with immigrants being here, because he has a way of thinking that is respectable. I don't really want to delve into that, but for me he is a person who comes first and foremost from an upbringing and a background in which racism is the most important thing for him. The type of breed he comes from is a German type of breed, if you can call it that, in that they did not allow mixing of breeds. For me, he was very categorical in that part, in the immigration part, of the immigrants during his time in office. Moreover, there were many raids, many people totally taken out of this country as well as the animals, because that's how we saw it. So, what happened? That Hispanics and Latinos who could vote, when it came time to vote, went against him and supported Biden. Biden was presenting a partial solution to the immigrants. That it has not been fulfilled? It has not been complied with. I think something, that presidents always surround themselves-- People who are in government and who get to the presidency, he doesn't get to the presidency by himself. It is an immense machinery that everything is coldly calculated and well synchronized.

He doesn't get on because, "I want to be the president and I'm going to get on," no. It is a machine that has a number of components and people around it and he is not the only one in charge. There are a few people in charge there, a lot of people in charge around him. Suddenly the intentions that he had, as the hook to grab the Hispanics and Latinos who voted for him a lot, that was like the backing that the immigrants had to feel that they were going to have an endorsement. Notice that there is a very famous lawyer that when he gave the notice that all the people that had entered until 2020, until December 31, 2020, were going to be legalized. be legalized. People got--I think we all heard that news, didn't we? Everyone was happy that it was going to be that far. Recently they issued a new decree, something like this, an order in which people were until 2014. People who

escuchamos esa noticia, ¿verdad? Todo el mundo se puso feliz porque iba a ser hasta ahí. Hace poco sacaron una un nuevo decreto, algo así, una orden en que eran la gente hasta el 2014. La gente que entró hasta el 2014 o hasta el 2011, perdón, iban a ser legalizados.

¿Qué pasa? Que él de pronto tuvo muy buenas intenciones. Él agarró ese gancho para hacerlo, pero no lo han dejado hacerlo por toda la cantidad de cosas que hemos sabido. Esa es mi opinión.

[00:27:06] Moderator: Yo quería hablar un poquito más de lo que-- Cuando estábamos hablando de la economía, ¿qué significa eso? G3: A, dijiste que bajo Trump la economía estaba mejor. ¿Para ti qué significa la economía? ¿Qué es la economía?

[00:27:20] G3: A: Estábamos en época de pandemia también, pero siento que sus-- Anteriormente y después de él, la economía del país estaba como-- Estábamos con los procesos de la recesión. Ahora, como estamos también, yo siento que en el momento que él estuvo no estábamos perfectos, no estábamos abajo, pero él estaba manteniendo.

[00:27:47] Moderator: No creo tanto de saber qué estaba pasando, pero cuando dices, "Yo veo que la economía está bien o yo veo que la economía está mal". ¿En qué estás--?

[conversación cruzada]

[00:27:58] G3: CE: Ganábamos más dinero en las cuentas.

[00:28:01] Moderator: Ganaban más dinero, okay.

[00:28:02] G3: CE: El interés estaba más bajo. Más dinero entraba, más ganábamos savings.

entered until 2014 or until 2011, sorry, were going to be legalized.
What's up? That he suddenly had very good intentions. He grabbed that hook to do it, but they haven't let him do it because of all the things we've known. That is my opinion.

[00:27:06] Moderator: I wanted to talk a little bit more about what-- when we were talking about the economy, what does that mean?
G3: A, you said that under Trump the economy was better. What does the economy mean to you? What is economics?

[00:27:20] G3: A: We were in pandemic times as well, but I feel that his-- Previously and after him, the economy of the country was like-- We were with the recession processes. Now, as we are also, I feel that at the time he was there we were not perfect, we were not down, but he was maintaining.

[00:27:47] Moderator: I don't think so much of knowing what was going on, but when you say, "I see that the economy is good or I see that the economy is bad". What are you...?

[cross talk]

[00:27:58] G3: CE: We were making more money on the accounts.

[00:28:01] Moderator: You were making more money, okay.

[00:28:02] G3: CE: The interest was lower. The more money came in, the more we earned savings.

[00:28:14] G3: A: What I'm getting at. Nothing else, for example, when we were with him,

[00:28:14] G3: A: A lo que voy. Nada más, por ejemplo, cuando estábamos con él, nosotros éramos independientes totalmente con nuestro dinero. Hasta cierta forma porque tenemos al tío Sam, pero entró Biden, al poco tiempo empezaron-- Por ejemplo, la gente que tiene Venmo, que tiene Cash App y todo eso, si mandas más de \$600 eres reportado a la IRS. Bajita la mano te están controlando tu dinero. Hasta el día de ayer, me parece, el día de antier, que iba a pasar el nuevo reglamento de la nueva ley que quieren contratar más agentes de IRS, también.

Siento que la economía la quieren controlar más. Cuando estaba el señor Trump, tu dinero te lo ganas, tú te lo gastas y tú sabes cómo. Él no estaba interviniendo individualmente. Si tú trabajas, tu dinero es tuyo. Lógico, siempre y cuando pagues tus taxes estaba bien. Ahorita como que bajita la mano nos van controlando económicamente.

[00:29:10] Moderator: ¿Qué hay del crimen? Nadie dijo que el crimen era elemento.

[risas]

[00:29:17] Moderator: ¿Qué número pusieron en el crimen? Yo creo que acá en la segunda página. Sí, es la última en la segunda página.

[00:29:25] G3: CE: I put 10.

[00:29:28] G3: L: 10 de 10.

[00:29:29] G3: I: Yo le puse 10 también.

[00:29:30] Moderator: ¿Qué está pasando con eso? G3: K, ¿quieres hablar un poco del crimen?

[00:29:34] G3: K: Yo pienso que el crimen está altísimo ahorita. Yo jamás he visto el crimen tan alto. Te voy a decir una cosa. No soy racista para nada, pero yo creo que después de esto que pasó de Black Lives Matter ha subido muchísimo más el crimen, porque siento como que si eres una persona

we were totally independent with our money. To a certain extent because we have Uncle Sam, but Biden came in, soon after that they started-- For example, people who have Venmo, who have Cash App and all that, if you send more than \$600 you are reported to the IRS. They are controlling your money. As of yesterday, it seems to me, the day before yesterday, they were going to pass the new regulation of the new law that they want to hire more IRS agents, too.

I feel that they want to control the economy more. When Mr. Trump was around, your money you earn it, you spend it and you know how. He was not intervening individually. If you work, your money is yours. Logical, as long as you pay your taxes was fine. Right now they are controlling us economically.

[00:29:10] Moderator: What about crime? No one said that crime was an element.

[laughs]

[00:29:17] Moderator: What number did you put on crime? I think here on the second page. Yes, it is the last one on the second page.

[00:29:25] G3: CE: I put 10.

[00:29:28] G3: L: 10 out of 10.

[00:29:29] G3: I: I put 10 on it as well.

[00:29:30] Moderator: What's going on with that? G3: K, do you want to talk a little bit about the crime?

[00:29:34] G3: K: I think crime is at an all-time high right now. I have never seen crime so high. I'll tell you one thing. I'm not a racist at all, but I think that after this Black Lives Matter thing happened, crime has gone up a lot more, because I feel like if you're a person of color, I mean, brown, if you do something wrong, "No. It's okay, because they're going to say Black Lives Matter," and you have more of a right to do it.

de color, o sea, morena, si haces algo mal, "No. Está bien, porque van a decir Black Lives Matter" y tienes más el derecho de hacerlo.

Te digo, no soy racista, pero he visto que el crimen de gente morena ha subido muchísimo y en todo el país. El crimen está-- Aquí en Atlanta. Yo nunca casi oía en Cobb County y en Cobb County se oye yo creo que más que en Fulton. Todos los días se oye de crímenes aquí en Cobb. Yo jamás había oído tanto crimen aquí en Cobb.

[00:30:35] Moderator: ¿Alguien más quiere contar cosas?

[00:30:37] G3: J: Sí. Antes--

[00:30:39] G3: L: No. [unintelligible 00:30:40]

[00:30:42] G3: J: Yo que me ha quedado a vivir [unintelligible 00:30:44] más de 14 años, siempre íbamos mi familia y yo a Phipps Plaza Lenox. Desde que empezó el crimen ahí, ya nadie sabe. Ya ahora te tienes cuando vas a Lenox-- Por decir, ahí todo-

[00:31:03] Moderator: ¿Qué es Lenox? ¿Qué es eso?

[00:31:04] G3: J: Lenox Mall.

[00:31:05] Moderator: El mall, entiendo.

[00:31:09] G3: J: Parte de ese problema es por la inflación, que gente quieren buscar maneras fáciles para agarrar dinero. Siempre que veo las noticias le están disparando a alguien. Si apenas en mi trabajo vi a una amiga por donde pasó lo del estado de Rayshard Brooks, ahí por la Wendy's, the University, apenas hace unos días que una persona se disparó porque mató a su esposa. La policía ya lo tenían, pero en lugar de dejar que lo agarraran se disparó, se quitó la vida.

Después de que empezaron a faltarle el respeto a los policías-- Yo no estoy diciendo que todos los policías están haciendo lo

I tell you, I'm not a racist, but I've seen that crime of brown people has gone up a lot and all over the country. Crime is... Here in Atlanta. I never almost heard it in Cobb County and in Cobb County you hear it I think more than in Fulton. Every day you hear about crime here in Cobb. I have never heard so much crime here in Cobb.

[00:30:35] Moderator: Anyone else want to tell things?

[00:30:37] G3: J: Yes. Before--

[00:30:39] G3: L: No. [unintelligible 00:30:40]

[00:30:42] G3: J: Me who has stayed to live [unintelligible 00:30:44] Over 14 years, me and my family would always go to Phipps Plaza Lenox. Since the crime started there, nobody knows anymore. Now you've got you when you go to Lenox... I mean, there's everything-

[00:31:03] Moderator: What is Lenox? What is it?

[00:31:04] G3: J: Lenox Mall.

[00:31:05] Moderator: The mall, I understand.

[00:31:09] G3: J: Part of that problem is because of inflation, that people want to look for easy ways to grab money. Whenever I watch the news someone is getting shot. If just at my work I saw a friend where Rayshard Brooks' estate happened, there by Wendy's, the University, just a few days ago that a person shot himself because he killed his wife. The police already had him, but instead of letting them catch him he shot himself, he took his own life.

After they started to disrespect the police officers--I am not saying that all the police officers are doing the right thing, but after they started with this saying "I am recording you", then they lost a lot of police officers. That's not an opinion; that's facts, that is the truth. There are no more policemen who want

correcto, pero después que ya empezaron con esto diciendo "Te estoy grabando", más allá perdieron muchos policías. Eso no es una opinión; eso es facts, eso es la verdad. Ya no hay policías que quieran trabajar. Ahora donde tú veas hay letreros, "Te damos \$5.000 si te vienes para empezar con Georgia State Patrol". Or the county, el condado Fulton, donde sea no hay policías. Ya no quieren hacer su trabajo porque, ¿qué es lo que van a hacer? Las personas se van a salir de la cárcel de volada, van a hacer peos y van a cometer más crímenes. Esto yo lo veo por internet, que veo las noticias todos los días. Es que ya ni veo la tele por eso.

[00:32:39] G3: K: No quieren que haya un tipo de disciplina aquí en Estados Unidos y es lo que-

[00:32:43] G3: I: Los hombres le gritan, "Cop".

[00:32:46] G3: K: Un tipo de disciplina.

[00:32:48] Moderator: Cuando dices, "Ellos no quieren tener--".

[00:32:50] G3: K: Yo pienso que no quieren como un structure.

[00:32:52] Moderator: ¿Quiénes son ellos?

[00:32:54] G3: K: Todo el clima que está pasando, yo siento que lo están dejando pasar el crimen.

[00:32:59] Moderator: ¿Quién? ¿Quién esta dejando ir?

[00:33:01] G3: K: Yo no sé. Todos los estados diferentes, porque yo nomás sé que aquí en Georgia. Eso es diferente. El mismo Gobierno de--

[00:33:10] Moderator: ¿El gobierno estatal o--?

[00:33:11] G3: K: Vamos a suponer, el District Attorney de Nueva York creo que está

to work. Now everywhere you look there are signs, "We'll give you \$5,000 if you come to get started with Georgia State Patrol." Or the county, Fulton County, wherever there are no police.

They don't want to do their job anymore because what are they going to do? People are going to get out of jail in a hurry, they are going to create difficult situations and commit more crimes. I see this on the internet, I watch the news every day. I don't even watch TV anymore because of that.

[00:32:39] G3: K: They don't want there to be a kind of discipline here in the U.S. and that's what-

[00:32:43] G3: I: The men yell, "Cop."

[00:32:46] G3: K: A type of discipline.

[00:32:48] Moderator: When you say, "They don't want to have--".

[00:32:50] G3: K: I think they don't want a structure.

[00:32:52] Moderator: Who are they?

[00:32:54] G3: K: The whole climate that is going on, I feel that they are letting the crime go.

[00:32:59] Moderator: Who? Who is letting go?

[00:33:01] G3: K: I don't know. All different states, because I just know that here in Georgia. That is different. The same Government of...

[00:33:10] Moderator: The state government or--?

[00:33:11] G3: K: Let's assume, the New York District Attorney is removing all the people who commit crime, not leaving them there. They are taken out of jail. So what is their punishment? They will not learn. Crime will

sacando a todos los gente que comete crimen, no los deja allí. Los sacan de la cárcel. ¿Entonces qué castigo tienen? No van a aprender. El crimen sube y nadie se hace responsable, y eso que él está en el Gobierno.

[00:33:40] Moderator: Yo quiero hablar un poco del aborto. ¿Nadie puso--?

[00:33:42] G3: K: Yo.

[00:33:43] Moderator: ¿Pusiste aborto?

[00:33:44] G3: K: Sí.

[00:33:45] Moderator: Sí, verdad. Pláticame un poco del aborto y por qué parece ese más--

[00:33:49] G3: K: Yo pienso que ahorita no nos están dando el derecho como mujer de decidir. No estoy diciendo que está bien hacerlo, pero hay circunstancias que se deben hacer. Vamos a suponer, una niña de 12, 14, 18, lo que sea, que fue violada, ¿cómo no la vas dejar si ella no quiere ese niño? ¿Cómo vas a dejar que el niño venga al mundo y que no crece con una familia estable?

[00:34:31] G3: CE: Cada caso es separado.

[00:34:32] G3: K: Cada caso es separado, sí.

[00:34:33] G3: CE: Depende qué te pasó or whatever.

[00:34:35] G3: K: Hay unas que lo hacen de hobby y eso está mal, sí, pero hay circunstancias en que yo creo que debe de ser. Yo trabajo en el hospital y trabajo en el quirófano. Hay circunstancias no de violación, porque no lo hacemos, porque eso es una clínica afuera, pero vamos a suponer, una niña, muchachita que tiene problemas con el corazón y que ocupa un aborto-- Hay circunstancias. No me gusta entrar, pero no toda la gente quiere entrar a ayudarle al doctor a hacer estas cosas, pero yo lo hago.

rise and no one is taking responsibility, even though he is in the government.

[00:33:40] Moderator: I want to talk a little bit about abortion. Nobody put...?

[00:33:42] G3: K: Me.

[00:33:43] Moderator: Did you put abortion?

[00:33:44] G3: K: Yes.

[00:33:45] Moderator: Yes, right. Tell me a little bit about the abortion and why it looks like that more--.

[00:33:49] G3: K: I think that right now they are not giving us the right as women to decide. I'm not saying it's right to do it, but there are circumstances in which it must be done. Let's suppose, a girl of 12, 14, 18, whatever, who was raped, how can you not leave her if she doesn't want that child? How are you going to let the child come into the world and not grow up with a stable family?

[00:34:31] G3: CE: Each case is separate.

[00:34:32] G3: K: Each case is separate, yes.

[00:34:33] G3: CE: Depends on what happened to you or whatever.

[00:34:35] G3: K: There are some who do it as a hobby and that's wrong, yes, but there are circumstances in which I think it should be. I work in the hospital and I work in the operating room. There are circumstances not of rape, because we don't do it, because that's a clinic outside, but let's assume, a girl, little girl who has problems with her heart and needs an abortion--there are circumstances. I don't like to go in, but not all people want to go in and help the doctor do these things, but I do. There are circumstances in which I believe this should be done.

Hay circunstancias en que yo creo que se debe de hacer eso.

[00:35:24] G3: A: Casos individuales.

[00:35:25] G3: L: Individuales.

[00:35:26] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿qué piensas de eso del aborto? Como eres hombre, yo quería saber. ¿Estás de acuerdo?

[00:35:28] G3: CS: Yo estoy de acuerdo con ella que el aborto en ciertos casos debe ser aceptado. Sí, se le debe dar a la persona la oportunidad que decida, porque realmente hay condición en que definitivamente tú dices, "Una niña tan pequeña o violación".

[00:35:47] G3: CE: O una enfermedad.

[00:35:48] G3: CS: O una enfermedad que ya está completamente decidido de que el feto viene mal, que va a ser una persona que va a presentar un problema en su vida y que no va a tener una vida normal, es aceptable.

[00:36:04] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿qué número lo calificaste en tu papelito?

[00:36:07] G3: CS: Yo le puse nueve.

[00:36:09] Moderator: Yo voy a decir algo porque se nos va a acabar el tiempo. Quería hablar acerca de dónde aprenden cosas acerca de estos temas que estuvimos hablando o cómo se enteran de lo que está pasando en el mundo, de las noticias? ¿Cómo sacan esta información?

[00:36:35] G3: A: Social media.

[00:36:36] Moderator: Social media.

[00:36:37] G3: K: Social media porque yo no veo la tele para nada.

[00:36:39] Moderator: ¿No ves la tele tampoco?

[00:35:24] G3: A: Individual cases.

[00:35:25] G3: L: Individual.

[00:35:26] Moderator: G3: CS, what do you think about abortion? Since you are a man, I wanted to know. Do you agree?

[00:35:28] G3: CS: I agree with her that abortion in certain cases should be accepted. Yes, the person should be given the opportunity to decide, because there really are conditions where you definitely say, "Such a little girl or rape."

[00:35:47] G3: CE: Or a disease.

[00:35:48] G3: CS: Or a disease that has already been completely decided that the fetus is not well, that it is going to be a person that is going to present a problem in its life and that it is not going to have a normal life, is acceptable.

[00:36:04] Moderator: G3: CS, what number did you grade on your paper?

[00:36:07] G3: CS: I put nine on it.

[00:36:09] Moderator: I am going to say something because we are going to run out of time. I wanted to talk about where do you learn things about these issues that we were talking about or how do you learn about what's going on in the world, from the news? How do you get this information?

[00:36:35] G3: A: Social media.

[00:36:36] Moderator: Social media.

[00:36:37] G3: K: Social media because I don't watch TV at all.

[00:36:39] Moderator: You don't watch TV either?

[00:36:40] G3: A: In my case when the coronavirus started-.

<p>[00:36:40] G3: A: Yo cuando empezó el coronavirus-</p> <p>[00:36:41] G3: K: El día de weekend veo la tele.</p> <p>[00:36:43] G3: L: Yo principalmente Telegram, canales de Telegram.</p> <p>[00:36:46] Moderator: ¿De Telegram? ¿Cuál es ese?</p> <p>[00:36:49] G3: L: Telegram es un app.</p> <p>[00:36:50] Moderator: ¿Es un app?</p> <p>[00:36:52] G3: L: Sí. Hay canales, periodistas independientes que tienen su canal o incluso los mismos Fox. Todo los viejos ya tienen sus canales de Telegram, pero hay bastante-- Porque hay mucha censura. Actualmente en las redes sociales hay mucha censura de información.</p> <p>[00:37:13] Moderator: En ese app de Telegram, ¿cuáles canales usas para ver?</p> <p>[00:37:19] G3: L: Leo muchísimos en inglés.</p> <p>[00:37:21] Moderator: ¿Cuáles específicamente para la-?</p> <p>[00:37:23] G3: L: Stew Peters.</p> <p>[00:37:28] Moderator: ¿Eso es un canal?</p> <p>[00:37:29] G3: I: No, es un programa.</p> <p>[00:37:31] G3: L: Lo que pasa es que cada cuenta de Telegram se llama canal.</p> <p>[00:37:35] Moderator: Entiendo.</p> <p>[00:37:37] G3: L: Stew Peters tiene su canal.</p> <p>[00:37:39] Moderator: Okay.</p>	<p>[00:36:41] G3: K: Weekend day I watch TV.</p> <p>[00:36:43] G3: L: I mainly Telegram, Telegram channels.</p> <p>[00:36:46] Moderator: From Telegram? Which one is it?</p> <p>[00:36:49] G3: L: Telegram is an app.</p> <p>[00:36:50] Moderator: Is it an app?</p> <p>[00:36:52] G3: L: Yes. There are channels, independent journalists who have their own channel or even Fox themselves. All the old ones already have their Telegram channels, but there's enough-- Because there's a lot of censorship. Currently in social networks there is a lot of censorship of information.</p> <p>[00:37:13] Moderator: In that Telegram app, which channels do you use to watch?</p> <p>[00:37:19] G3: L: I read lots and lots of them in English.</p> <p>[00:37:21] Moderator: Which ones specifically for the-?</p> <p>[00:37:23] G3: L: Stew Peters.</p> <p>[00:37:28] Moderator: Is that a channel?</p> <p>[00:37:29] G3: I: No, it's a program.</p> <p>[00:37:31] G3: L: What happens is that each Telegram account is called a channel.</p> <p>[00:37:35] Moderator: I understand.</p> <p>[00:37:37] G3: L: Stew Peters has his channel.</p> <p>[00:37:39] Moderator: Okay.</p> <p>[00:37:41] G3: L: I see his Telegram account.</p> <p>[00:37:44] Moderator: Others?</p>
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[00:37:41] G3: L: Yo veo su cuenta de Telegram.

[00:37:44] Moderator: ¿Otras?

[00:37:47] G3: L: En español sigo a Rafapal, un periodista. Rafael Palacios, que es un periodista español, español de España. Y otras.

[00:38:04] Moderator: G3: I, ¿dónde va usted para ver sus noticias o sacar las noticias? ¿Dónde vas?

[00:38:09] G3: I: Con el tiempito que me queda. [ríe] Yo manejo las redes sociales, las miro. Un ejemplo, aquí en Atlanta a veces veo las noticias Hispatlanta, que está uno más informado de lo que está-

[00:38:25] Moderator: ¿Eso es?

[00:38:26] G3: I: Hispatlanta.

[00:38:27] Moderator: ¿Ese es un app también?

[00:38:30] G3: I: No, esa la descargas tú en Facebook o en Instagram.

[00:38:34] Moderator: ¿Es como un grupo?

[00:38:35] G3: I: Exacto. Es un noticiero que se llama Hispatlanta que es de hispanos y ahí ve uno todas las cosas. De un tiempo para acá-- Yo siempre me ufanaba que Georgia era un estado muy tranquilo donde uno no veía tanta cosa, tanta muerte y tanta tragedia. Veo que ya cada ocho días-- Una pareja, creo que el sábado, se suicidaron. Se mató él y mató a la esposa. Son cosas muy trágicas y de verdad que evito estar viendo eso. Hay que estar uno enterado por este tipo de reuniones.

[00:39:21] Moderator: ¿Cuáles son tus redes sociales?

[00:39:26] G3: I: Facebook, Instagram. Manejo mucho el Instagram. Twitter no me

[00:37:47] G3: L: In Spanish I follow Rafapal, a journalist. Rafael Palacios, who is a Spanish journalist, a Spaniard from Spain. And others.

[00:38:04] Moderator: G3: I, where do you go to see your news or get your news? Where are you going?

[00:38:09] G3: I: With the little time I have left. [laughs] I manage social networks, I look at them. For example, here in Atlanta I sometimes watch the Hispatlanta news, which is more informed than it is.

[00:38:25] Moderator: That is?

[00:38:26] G3: I: Hispatlanta.

[00:38:27] Moderator: Is that an app too?

[00:38:30] G3: I: No, you download that one on Facebook or Instagram.

[00:38:34] Moderator: Is it like a group?

[00:38:35] G3: I: Exactly. It is a news program called Hispatlanta which is Hispanic and there you see everything. I always boasted that Georgia was a very peaceful state where you didn't see so much, so much death and so much tragedy. I see that every eight days now-- A couple, I think on Saturday, committed suicide. He killed himself and killed the wife. These are very tragic things and I really avoid seeing them. You have to be aware of these types of meetings.

[00:39:21] Moderator: What are your social networks?

[00:39:26] G3: I: Facebook, Instagram. I use Instagram a lot. I don't like Twitter, I find it very sectorized. Sometimes the news, I watch news from my country or sometimes I watch CNN in Spanish.

gusta, me parece muy sectorizado. A veces las noticias, veo noticias de mi país o a veces coloco CNN en español.

[00:39:41] Moderator: ¿El CNN en español lo ves por el teléfono también o por la televisión?

[00:39:43] G3: I: No, por televisión. Sí, yo veo televisión. Yo sí veo televisión, no me complico la vida con eso.

[00:39:48] Moderator: G3: A, tú dices a mí que ves la mayoría por las redes sociales. ¿En cuáles tendrías [unintelligible 00:39:53]?

[00:39:54] G3: A: En el iPhone viene la de NewsBreak. Veo siempre el encabezado o me llega el encabezado al email y ya me meto yo a buscar de qué se trata.

[00:40:07] Moderator: ¿Cuál de los plataformas uses más?

[00:40:11] G3: A: Trato de no meterme-- Solamente, por ejemplo, me llegan los encabezados en mi email y es algo que me enfoco yo que me llegue por email porque, como dicen, social media sí es cierto, pero ahorita social media también está teniendo, por ejemplo, Facebook, Instagram, los scammers. Es mucho scammer, mucho solicitudes y ya no sabes si hablas con un fantasma bonito o feo. Traté de nada más los encabezados que me llegan por email, o a veces cuando hay algún temblor o hay algo me pongo ya a buscar.

[00:40:43] Moderator: G3: K, ¿también las redes sociales? ¿Cuáles utilizas?

[00:40:47] G3: I: Cuando le queda tiempo.

[00:40:49] G3: K: Cuando me llega algo por Yahoo, pero no veo la tele. Veo la tele cada dos semanas. Con mi novio veo la tele allá en su casa, porque él sí está bien metido en la política, NBC. Así es como me doy cuenta de todo lo que está pasando. Es un

[00:39:41] Moderator: Do you also watch CNN in Spanish on the phone or on TV?

[00:39:43] G3: I: No, on television. Yes, I watch television. I do watch television, I don't complicate my life with it.

[00:39:48] Moderator: G3: A, you tell me that you see most of them through social networks. Which ones would you have [unintelligible 00:39:53]?

[00:39:54] G3: A: On the iPhone you have the one from NewsBreak. I always see the header or I get the header in the email and then I look for what it is about.

[00:40:07] Moderator: Which of the platforms do you use the most?

[00:40:11] G3: A: I try not to get into-- I just, for example, I get the headers in my email and it's something that I focus on getting through email because, as they say, social media is true, but right now social media is also having, for example, Facebook, Instagram, the scammers. It's a lot of scammer a lot of solicitations and you don't know if you're talking to a pretty or an ugly ghost. I tried just the headers that I receive by email, or sometimes when there is a seism or there is something I start looking for.

[00:40:43] Moderator: G3: K, also social networks? Which ones do you use?

[00:40:47] G3: I: When you have time left.

[00:40:49] G3: K: When I get something on Yahoo, but I don't watch TV. I watch TV every two weeks. With my boyfriend I watch TV there at his house, because he's really into politics, NBC. That's how I realize everything that's going on. He's an American, you know how they are. He has opened my eyes to what politics is all about. So when I'm there, I notice everything else that's going on,

americano, ya sabes cómo son. Él me ha abierto muchísimo los ojos en lo que es la política. Así que cuando estoy allá, me doy cuenta de todo lo que está pasando más, porque allá sí veo la tele, pero en mi casa no la veo.

[00:41:20] Moderator: ¿En las redes sociales?

[00:41:21] G3: K: En Google y cuando me llegan por Yahoo lo que está pasando en la planta.

[00:41:25] Moderator: ¿Yahoo llega como notificación o es por el email?

[00:41:29] G3: K: Un email me llega. "Sabes que pasó esto". En Google cuando quiero hacer search a algo, que hago todos los días algo, se ve lo que pasa aquí en la ciudad.

[00:41:40] Moderator: G3: J, ¿dónde sacas la mayoría de sus noticias?

[00:41:44] G3: J: Instagram, Facebook, Google o Morning Group. Es algo que me llega al email. Nomás te explica qué es lo que va a pasar, qué son las cosas más importantes que han pasado en la economía.

[00:42:01] Moderator: ¿Eso es de la nación o nomás de local?

[00:42:05] G3: J: De toda la nación. Habla de Rusia, habla de Ukraine, habla de todo. Luego te dice cómo está bajando los porcentajes de Nasdaq, de las acciones. Es todo lo que lees y técnicamente lo que explican todos los noticieros.

[00:42:23] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿usted usa redes sociales también o no?

[00:42:27] G3: CS: Sí, algunas redes sociales.

[00:42:28] Moderator: ¿En cuál te has metido?

because I do watch TV there, but I don't watch it at home.

[00:41:20] Moderator: On social networks?

[00:41:21] G3: K: On Google and when I get Yahoo to tell me what's going on in the plant.

[00:41:25] Moderator: Does Yahoo come as a notification or is it by email?

[00:41:29] G3: K: An email comes to me. "You know this happened." In Google when I want to do search to something, which I do every day something, you see what happens here in the city.

[00:41:40] Moderator: G3: J, where do you get most of your news?

[00:41:44] G3: J: Instagram, Facebook, Google or Morning Group. It's something that comes to my email. It just explains what is going to happen, what are the most important things that have happened in the economy.

[00:42:01] Moderator: Is that from the nation or just local?

[00:42:05] G3: J: From across the nation. He talks about Russia, he talks about Ukraine, he talks about everything. Then it tells you how Nasdaq, stock percentages are going down. That's all you read and technically what all the news networks explain.

[00:42:23] Moderator: G3: CS, do you also use social networks or not?

[00:42:27] G3: CS: Yes, some social networks.

[00:42:28] Moderator: Which one did you get into?

[00:42:31] G3: CS: Facebook.

<p>[00:42:31] G3: CS: Facebook.</p> <p>[00:42:32] Moderator: ¿La mayoría de Facebook?</p> <p>[00:42:33] G3: CS: Sí.</p> <p>[00:42:34] Moderator: ¿Usas Instagram?</p> <p>[00:42:36] G3: CS: Apple News, Google News.</p> <p>[00:42:40] Moderator: ¿Instagram no lo usas?</p> <p>[00:42:42] G3: CS: Instagram sí lo utilizo, pero no tanto. También a veces me guío por ahí. Veo también algunos canales de televisión. Por ejemplo, NTN, que es una cadena a nivel latinoamericano que cubre muchos países. Caracol Internacional de Colombia veo de vez en cuando. RCN Internacional también.</p> <p>[00:43:04] Moderator: ¿Qué piensas entre las noticias en inglés y noticias en español? ¿Cuál es mejor? ¿Son iguales? ¿Cómo ves los dos?</p> <p>[00:43:17] G3: CS: Prefiero en español, obviamente. En inglés yo me defiende bastante, pero prefiero escucharlas en español, porque puedo digerirlas un poco mejor porque es mi idioma natal. Mi inglés ha sido un proceso, practiqué hace muchos años. Después de mi profesión de ingeniero pasé muchos años y me dejaron ya jubilado hace rato. Tuve la oportunidad de estar en Alemania y todo fue en inglés. Lo prefiero en este tema tan específico, que hay que digerir bien la noticia [unintelligible 00:43:47].</p> <p>[00:43:47] Moderator: ¿Como lo presentan es diferente?</p> <p>[00:43:50] G3: CS: Pienso que es diferente. La propia presentación de los locutores hispanos es un poquito diferente que los americanos. Prefiero dirigirme a una noticia</p>	<p>[00:42:32] Moderator: Most Facebook?</p> <p>[00:42:33] G3: CS: Yes.</p> <p>[00:42:34] Moderator: Do you use Instagram?</p> <p>[00:42:36] G3: CS: Apple News, Google News.</p> <p>[00:42:40] Moderator: Instagram, don't you use it?</p> <p>[00:42:42] G3: CS: Instagram I do use, but not that much. I am also sometimes guided by that. I also watch some television channels. For example, NTN, which is a Latin American network covering many countries. I watch Caracol Internacional from Colombia from time to time. RCN International as well.</p> <p>[00:43:04] Moderator: What do you think between news in English and news in Spanish? Which one is better? Are they the same? How do you see the two?</p> <p>[00:43:17] G3: CS: I prefer in Spanish, obviously. In English I am quite fluent, but I prefer to listen to them in Spanish, because I can digest them a little better because it is my native language. My English has been a process, I practiced many years ago. After my engineering profession, I spent many years and have been retired for a long time. I had the opportunity to be in Germany and everything was in English. I prefer it in this very specific topic, that you have to digest the news well. [unintelligible 00:43:47].</p> <p>[00:43:47] Moderator: How do you present it is different?</p> <p>[00:43:50] G3: CS: I think it's different. The presentation itself of Hispanic speakers is a little different than that of American speakers. I prefer to address a news item in my native language, which I can understand a little better, I can digest it a little better.</p>
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en mi idioma natal, que la puedo entender un poquito mejor, la puedo digerir un poquito mejor.

[00:44:13] Moderator: G3: L, tú ya dijiste de Telegram.

[00:44:17] G3: L: Yo prefiero en inglés.

[00:44:18] Moderator: ¿Lo prefieres en inglés? ¿Por qué?

[00:44:21] G3: L: Me parece más objetivo. Sí hay opiniones, pero son más factuales. Van al hecho. En español muchas de las noticias son traducidas del inglés y a veces no las traducen bien. [risas] Prefiero la fuente original que es en inglés.

[00:44:47] G3: CS: Las noticias se originan aquí en los Estados Unidos. En nuestros países llega después--

[conversación cruzada]

[00:44:52] G3: L: No, estoy hablando de Estados Unidos. De Perú, obviamente prefiero Perú. Es mi país, prefiero--

[00:45:00] G3: CS: [unintelligible 00:45:00]

[00:45:02] G3: L: No lo escucho, fíjese, porque él ya no está en Perú, está acá en Estados Unidos.

[00:45:07] G3: CS: Sí, correcto.

[00:45:08] Moderator: ¿Qué parte de las noticias reciben por redes sociales? ¿80%? ¿5%?

[00:45:19] G3: L: 100%. [risa]

[00:45:20] Moderator: 100% por redes sociales

[00:45:24] G3: CE: Fifty, fifty. Yo sí veo TV y veo ABC News, CNN, los locales de aquí de

[00:44:13] Moderator: G3: L, you already said about Telegram.

[00:44:17] G3: L: I prefer in English.

[00:44:18] Moderator: Do you prefer it in English? Why?

[00:44:21] G3: L: It seems more objective to me. There are opinions, but they are more factual. They go to the fact. In Spanish many of the news items are translated from English and sometimes they are not translated well. [laughs] I prefer the original source which is in English.

[00:44:47] G3: CS: The news originates here in the United States. In our countries it arrives later.

[cross talk]

[00:44:52] G3: L: No, I'm talking about the United States. From Perú, I obviously prefer Perú. It's my country, I prefer...

[00:45:00] G3: CS: [unintelligible 00:45:00]

[00:45:02] G3: L: I don't listen to him, mind you, because he is no longer in Perú, he is here in the United States.

[00:45:07] G3: CS: Yes, right.

[00:45:08] Moderator: How much of the news they receive through social networks? 80%? 5%?

[00:45:19] G3: L: 100%. [laughter]

[00:45:20] Moderator: 100% by social networks

[00:45:24] G3: CE: Fifty, fifty. I do watch TV and I watch ABC News, CNN, the local ones here in Georgia, but I'm also watching CNN online, Univision sometimes.

Georgia, pero también los estoy viendo CNN online, Univisión a veces.

[00:45:43] Moderator: ¿Qué hace un canal o un app más confiable que otra en su opinión?
¿G3: ¿Qué piensas? Hay diferentes medios de comunicaciones, hay diferentes apps, ¿pero cuál para ti tienen más confiabilidad?

[00:46:02] G3: I: Este medio que estamos viviendo sobre las redes sociales y sobre todo el tipo de comunicaciones que tenemos a la mano en este momento, sale una app y se multiplica por un millón de apps. Entonces la misma app que salió en el primer momento eso se repite y se repite. Tú abres cualquier medio de comunicación y está la misma historia, de pronto una con una arandela más o la otra así, entonces de verdad que decir uno, "Específicamente este tipo de comunicación".

Todas dan la misma información, es más, uno se satura tanto de ver, y le llega a uno en Gmail, le llega en el correo, le llega en Instagram, uno mira la misma noticia y "Guau", en una sacaron la cara de la muchacha o en otro sacaron el precio subido del dólar, o que bajó, lo que sea, pero casi en todos los medios repiten lo mismo. No hay uno así que diga uno, "Es que CNN lo saca de mejor manera", no, qué va, todos la sacan igual.

[00:47:07] Moderator: ¿En cuál confías más?
¿Hay una en la que confías más y por qué confías más en una que en otra?

[00:47:13] G3: I: De preferencia así de confiar o algo, uno mira algo y dice uno, "Está aquí igual, está en CNN, está en News, está en todos lados la misma cosa".

[00:47:23] Moderator: ¿Están de acuerdo o sienten diferente?

[00:47:25] G3: CE: Si es para el mundo CNN, si es local, pues algo local, pero CNN creo que va a tocar temas que son worldwide.

[00:45:43] Moderator: What makes one channel or app more reliable than another in your opinion? G3: I, what do you think? There are different means of communications, there are different apps, but which one do you think is the most reliable?

[00:46:02] G3: I: This environment that we are living on social networks and especially the type of communications that we have at hand at the moment, an app comes out and multiplies by a million apps. Then the same app that came out in the first moment is repeated and repeated. You open any media and there's the same story, suddenly one with one more washer or the other one like that, so you really have to say, "Specifically this type of communication".

They all give the same information, what's more, you get so saturated of seeing it, and you get it in Gmail, you get it in the mail, you get it in Instagram, you look at the same news and "Wow", in one they took out the girl's face or in another they took out the increased price of the dollar, or that it went down, whatever, but almost in all the media they repeat the same thing. There is no one like this that says, "It's just that CNN brings it out in a better way", no, no way, they all bring it out the same way.

[00:47:07] Moderator: Which one do you trust the most? Is there one you trust more and why do you trust one more than another?

[00:47:13] G3: I: Preferably this way of trusting or something, you look at something and you say, "It's here the same, it's on CNN, it's on News, it's everywhere the same thing."

[00:47:23] Moderator: Do you agree or do you feel differently?

[00:47:25] G3: CE: If it's for the world CNN, if it's local, then something local, but CNN I think is going to touch on issues that are worldwide.

[00:47:41] G3: I: Suddenly it's a little bit more weight.

[00:47:41] G3: I: De pronto es un poquito más de peso.

[00:47:44] G3: CE: Porque tienen en español y tienen en otras—

[00:47:47] Moderator: G3: J, para ti, ¿qué hace unos más confiables que otros en las redes sociales?

[00:47:55] G3: J: Como dice G3: I, es lo mismo, habla, es lo mismo, enseñan la cara, enseñan el cuerpo, el mismo vestido.

[risas]

[00:48:06] G3: J: Sí, es la verdad.

[00:48:08] G3: I: Es que lo saturan a uno

[00:48:09] G3: L: Y eso es interesante, porque de acuerdo a los canales de Telegram, yo veo solo Telegram pero a través de eso me entero de CNN, porque ellos efectivamente repiten, la narrativa es exactamente la misma, pasa en el momento en que canal Uno lo está diciendo, canal Dos lo está diciendo, canal Tres lo está diciendo, canal Cuatro lo está diciendo, los canales que sigo son en inglés, y es idéntico. Alguien escribió ese guion, esa narrativa.

[00:48:47] G3: I: Ese parámetro para que se repitiera

[00:48:49] Moderator: G3: J.

[00:48:50] G3: J: La razón porque estoy muy de acuerdo con G3: I, es cuando falleció mi hijo, Univisión dijo una cosa, eso está en las noticias, Telemundo dijo otra cosa, Fox News dijo otra, yo tuve que ver todas esas noticias para hacer la foto, para ver todo, qué es lo que sucedió.

[00:49:17] G3: A: Same thing. Lo mismo me pasó a mí con mi hijo porque mi hijo cuando falleció en un accidente de auto, y las noticias locales dijeron que había sido un

[00:47:44] G3: CE: Because they have them in Spanish and they have them in other languages.

[00:47:47] Moderator: G3: J, for you, what makes some more trustworthy than others in social networks?

[00:47:55] G3: J: As G3: I says, it's the same, she talks, it's the same, they show the face, they show the body, the same dress.

[laughs]

[00:48:06] G3: J: Yes, it's the truth.

[00:48:08] G3: I: It's that they saturate you

[00:48:09] G3: L: And that's interesting, because according to Telegram channels, I watch only Telegram but through that I find out about CNN, because they effectively repeat, the narrative is exactly the same, it happens at the moment when Channel One is saying it, Channel Two is saying it, Channel Three is saying it, Channel Four is saying it, the channels I follow are in English, and it's identical. Someone wrote that script, that narrative.

[00:48:47] G3: I: That parameter for it to be repeated.

[00:48:49] Moderator: G3: J.

[00:48:50] G3: J: The reason why I agree very much with G3: I, is when my son passed away, Univision said one thing, that's in the news, Telemundo said something else, Fox News said something else, I had to watch all those news to make the picture, to see everything, what happened.

[00:49:17] G3: A: Same thing. The same thing happened to me with my son because my son when he passed away in a car accident, and the local news said it was a head-on collision, even the headline said, "Head-on collision," and my son had passed

head-on collision, incluso el encabezado decía, "Head-on collision", y mi hijo había fallecido. El carro en la parte donde iba mi hijo-- Mi hijo no manejaba, él era pasajero atrás, y solamente mi hijo falleció.

¿Cómo va a ser un head-on collision si el carro donde iba mi hijo estaba limpiquito de enfrente? Un carro de carreras le pegó por atrás, lo hizo spinning y los lanzó por el cañón. Y las noticias, todas decían que era un head-on collision, todo, todo.

[00:49:55] G3: I: Sí porque repiten, repiten

[00:49:56] G3: A: Y en realidad no fue así. Como dice el señor, yo tuve que ver videos, fotos, y al final el district attorney me estaba presionando a mí para que yo culpara a los muchachitos, en el carro que iba mi hijo. Digo, "Yo no voy a poner a nadie en eso porque yo sé, conozco a los niños". Los amigos de mi hijo son de la misma edad y los conozco desde chiquititos, yo sé quiénes eran ellos. Me estaban presionando a mí para culpar a alguien.

[00:50:26] Moderator: Nadie ha dicho nada de YouTube, ¿cómo es la cosa en YouTube?

[00:50:31] G3: I: YouTube también es un problema. [ríe]

[conversación cruzada]

[00:50:35] G3: L: No lo veo porque está super censurado.

[00:50:39] G3: I: Sí, en noticias sí.

[00:50:39] G3: L: Cuando sale, por ejemplo, en la pandemia, salió el científico alemán, explicó cómo el grafeno, que está presente en las vacunas, estaban causando las muertes súbitas o los desplomamientos súbitos en los deportistas, lo sacó en YouTube, duró lo que le dejaron durar y al final mataron al médico. Ese médico murió, pero YouTube recontra censurado. Esa es una de las razones porque las que no--

away. My son was not driving, he was a passenger in the back, and only my son died. How can it be a head-on collision if the car my son was in was clean from the front? A race car hit him from behind, spun him around and threw them down the canyon. And the news, they all said it was a head-on collision, everything, everything.

[00:49:55] G3: I: Yes because they repeat, they repeat

[00:49:56] G3: A: And it really wasn't like that. As the gentleman says, I had to see videos, photos, and in the end the district attorney was pressuring me to blame the boys in the car my son was in. I say, "I'm not going to put anybody on that because I know, I know the kids." My son's friends are the same age and I have known them since they were little, I know who they were. They were putting pressure on me to blame someone.

[00:50:26] Moderator: No one has said anything about YouTube, how is it on YouTube?

[00:50:31] G3: I: YouTube is also a problem. [laughs]

[cross talk]

[00:50:35] G3: L: I don't see it because it's super censored.

[00:50:39] G3: I: Yes, in news yes.

[00:50:39] G3: L: When it comes out, for example, in the pandemic, the German scientist came out, explained how graphene, which is present in vaccines, was causing sudden deaths or sudden collapses in athletes, showed it on YouTube, lasted as long as they let it last and in the end they killed the doctor. That doctor died, but YouTube re-censored. That is one of the reasons why we don't...

[00:51:20] Moderator: G3: K, ¿qué piensas de YouTube? ¿Lo ves o no?

[00:51:22] G3: K: Yo nomás veo videos en YouTube cuando me sale que tengo como nueve videos para ver. Yo no me meto en YouTube, y no me meto tampoco mucho como a-- Sí lo veo por Google, las noticias y todo, pero trato de no YouTube y eso, porque si quiero ver la noticia y pongo como, "Crimen en Atlanta", luego me salen como si quiero Instagram, mi Yahoo!, Facebook. Me salen un montón de cosas como, "Nomás te pedí a tí". ¿Cómo saben las otras cuentas que estaba buscando esto? Trato de evitarme todo eso, porque yo sé que me van a llegar un montón de cosas en esa social media, así que trato de no, nomás usar Google, lo que tengo ahí nomás así, pero trato de no hacerlo.

[00:52:13] G3: A: Incluso sí haces search en Google o Facebook-

[00:52:15] G3: K: Sí.

[00:52:16] G3: A: -luego te sale en Facebook, Instagram. Te sale en todos. Te invaden un montón, todo.

[conversación cruzada]

[00:52:21] G3: I: Yo uso YouTube para ver recetas de cocina, porque a mí me encanta. Yo pongo, "Empanadas colombianas", y me salen 100.000 empanadas colombianas de recetas de todos los sabores y de todos los colores. Es lo mismo.

[00:52:36] Moderator: Solo para la receta.

[00:52:37] G3: CE: Música para cuando estás caminando.

[00:52:39] G3: I: Estamos fríamente analizados. En que tú dices, "A mí me gusta este lapicero" en YouTube, y te sale Google, te sale el otro. Mostrándote el mismo lapicero con diferente color-

[00:51:20] Moderator: G3: K, what do you think about YouTube? Do you see it or not?

[00:51:22] G3: K: I just watch videos on YouTube when I get about nine videos to watch. I don't get on YouTube, and I don't get on YouTube much either like a-- I do watch it through Google, the news and everything, but I try not to YouTube and stuff, because if I want to watch the news and I put like, "Crime in Atlanta," then I get come up like I want Instagram, my Yahoo!, Facebook. I get a lot of things like, "I just asked you". How do the other accounts know I was looking for this? I try to avoid all that, because I know I'm going to get a lot of stuff on that social media, so I try not to, just use Google, what I have there just like that, but I try not to do it.

[00:52:13] G3: A: Even if you do search on Google or Facebook-

[00:52:15] G3: K: Yes.

[00:52:16] G3: A: -then you get on Facebook, Instagram. You get it in all of them. They invade you a lot, everything.

[cross talk]

[00:52:21] G3: I: I use YouTube to watch recipes, because I love it. I type in, "Colombian Empanadas", and I get 100,000 Colombian empanadas of recipes of all flavors and colors. It is the same.

[00:52:36] Moderator: Just for the recipe.

[00:52:37] G3: CE: Music for when you're walking.

[00:52:39] G3: I: We are coldly analyzed. Where you say, "I like this pen" on YouTube, and you get Google, you get the other one. Showing you the same pen with a different color.

[00:52:52] G3: A: O precio.

[00:52:53] G3: I: -en diferente precio.

[risas]

[00:52:56] Moderator: Quisiera ir al siguiente tema. Quiero hablar lo que se trata de ser buen ciudadano. No estoy hablando del sentido legal de la palabra ciudadanía, sino más, ¿cuáles son los deberes y obligaciones más importantes que uno tiene como miembro de esta sociedad? ¿Qué es un buen ciudadano? ¿Qué es lo que hace? ¿Qué es lo que no hace? ¿Qué significa eso?

[00:53:27] G3: L: Yo creo que un buen ciudadano empieza en la casa, en el hogar, querer a la familia. La familia es la célula básica de la sociedad. Eso me enseñaron a mí de niña. Hoy por hoy, esa célula tan básica que es familia está tan lastimada, tan afectada, no sé cuál es el otro término, tan-

[00:53:51] G3: CS: Fracturada.

[00:53:52] G3: L: Gracias. Exactamente. Ya no eres la familia de papá, mamá e hijos, entra por ahí la ideología de género o la madre soltera, el padre soltero. Sin juzgar a nadie, toda esa nueva realidad afecta a nuestra sociedad, porque un niño que se cría solo con uno de los padres carece de la imagen del otro padre.

Yo sé que hay niños que cuentan con la presencia de dos padres separados, pero están ahí pendientes de él y pueden estar bien afectando a su hijo, pero no es el caso de todos. Hay mujeres que tienen hijos de un padre diferente solo para cobrar pensiones, por ejemplo, etcétera. Volviendo a la ciudadanía. Es que partiendo de ahí, ya estamos formando una sociedad resquebrajada, lastimada, que va a afectar.

[00:55:11] Moderator: Quiero hablar de, ¿qué es? ¿Cómo es?

[00:55:14] G3: L: ¿Como deber? Yo soy

[00:52:52] Soul: Or price.

[00:52:53] G3: I: -at different price.

[laughs]

[00:52:56] Moderator: I would like to go to the next topic. I want to talk about what being a good citizen is all about. I am not talking about the legal sense of the word citizenship, but rather, what are the most important duties and obligations one has as a member of society? What is a good citizen? What does one do? What does one not do? What does this mean?

[00:53:27] G3: L: I believe that a good citizen starts at home, at home, loving the family. The family is the basic cell of society. That's what I was taught as a child. Today, that basic cell that is the family is so damaged, so affected, I don't know what the other term is, so - I don't know what the other term is, so-

[00:53:51] G3: CS: Fractured.

[00:53:52] G3: L: Thank you. Exactly. You are no longer the family of dad, mom and kids, this is where the gender ideology or the single mother, single father concept comes from. Without judging anyone, this whole new reality affects our society, because a child raised with only one parent lacks the image of the other parent.

I know that there are children who have two separated parents, but they are there looking out for him and may well be affecting their child, but this is not the case for everyone. There are women who have children of a different father just to collect pensions, for example, and so on. Returning to citizenship. From that point on, we are already forming a broken, damaged society, which is going to be affected.

[00:55:11] Moderator: I want to talk about, what is it? What is it like?

[00:55:14] G3: L: How should you? I am a mom of two teenagers, generation Z, 2007,

mamá de dos adolescentes, generación Z, 2007, 2010. Yo tengo mi primera responsabilidad que ellos sean buenos ciudadanos.

[00:55:30] Moderator: Lo que quiero saber es, ¿qué es un buen ciudadano? ¿Qué significa eso?

[00:55:35] G3: I: Es una persona que da un buen ejemplo ante la sociedad, que cumple con los parámetros y los reglamentos que le enseñan, que tiene un país, prácticamente.

[00:55:46] G3: A: ¿Por qué vamos a hacer quedar bien? Una de las cosas que ustedes las dos dijeron, "La sociedad". En realidad yo para mí, la sociedad es una cosa. Mi sociedad para mí es mi casa y mis hijos. Lo que estaba diciendo, la educación. La educación, como dijo ella, va a empezar siempre en la casa. La educación, lo que le inculquemos a nuestros hijos desde pequeños es la mentalidad que ellos van a llevar y van a crecer con eso.

[00:56:09] Moderator: ¿Qué les estás enseñando?

[00:56:10] G3: A: Yo por ejemplo a mis hijos, hay varias cosas que yo les he enseñado a mis hijos y yo lo viví con mis hijos, porque mucha gente, mis hijos eran corredores de cross-country y track. Cuando ganaban todo el mundo celebrándoles, festejándoles y todo y que, "Bien hecho, qué bien lo otro". Cuando no ganaban, "No, que eres un perdedor". Yo siempre les decía a mis hijos, "Nunca quiero que alguien que les diga un mal comentario ustedes le contesten. Ante nada tienen que respetar a esa persona". Si te dicen, "¿Sabes qué? No lo hiciste bien" y luego les gritaban hasta groserías, les decían mis hijos, "Muchas gracias por su comentario. Lo tomaré en cuenta y esto". En las escuelas--

2010. My first responsibility is for them to be good citizens.

[00:55:30] Moderator: What I want to know is, what is a good citizen? What does this mean?

[00:55:35] G3: I: A good citizen is a person who sets a good example before society, who complies with the parameters and regulations that he is taught, who has a country, practically.

[00:55:46] G3: A: Why are we going to make ourselves look good? One of the things you both said, "Society." Actually, for me, society is one thing. My society for me is my home and my children. What I was saying, education. Education, as she said, will always start at home. Education, what we instill in our children from an early age, is the mentality that they will carry and grow up with.

[00:56:09] Moderator: What are you teaching them?

[00:56:10] G3: A: Me for example to my kids, there are several things that I have taught my kids and I lived it with my kids, because a lot of people, my kids were cross-country and track. When they won, everyone was celebrating, celebrating them and everything, "Well done, how nice". When they didn't win, "No, you're a loser". I always told my children, "I never want someone who says a bad comment to you to say it back to you. First and foremost they have to respect that person." If they say to you, "You know what? You didn't do it right," and then they would even yell profanities at them, my kids would say, "Thank you very much for your comment. I will take it into account and this." In the schools...

[00:56:41] G3: I: Excuse me for interrupting, that's what you taught your children to face

[00:56:41] G3: I: Perdona que te interrumpa, eso es lo que tú le enseñaste a tus hijos para que enfrentaran la sociedad, a esta sociedad es que nosotros hablamos. ¿Esas son las bases que tú le diste?

[00:56:54] G3: A: Sí, pero a lo que voy, yo por ejemplo eso fue con mis hijos ahí, con los maestros lo mismo. Estamos tratando todo el mundo de quedar bien con la sociedad y es la misma sociedad la que nos está contaminando. ¿Qué es lo que está pasando ahorita? Antes por ejemplo, yo a mis hijos siempre les decía, "Nos vamos a sentar a comer como familia todos". Ahora ya son adolescentes, ya no es, "Nos sentamos a comer", y estamos así, aquí. La misma sociedad nos está contaminando, nos está separando. Queremos quedar bien con la sociedad, con una sociedad que ya no se corrompió a todos.

[00:57:27] Moderator: G3: K, ¿quiere decir algo?

[00:57:29] G3: K: Yo siempre, yo tengo una hija de 27 años y una de 18. Fui mamá soltera casi todo ese tiempo. Mucha gente me ha dicho, "G3: K, has criado a tus hijas superbién". Sí he sido estricta y lo que tú quieras, pero siempre les he enseñado respeto. "Tienes que tener disciplina, tienes que seguir reglas, para todo ahí tienes, hay una estructura de reglas, de valores". Todo se empieza en casa. Mi papá antes de que falleciera, que hace muchos años, él era como el-- Porque fui mamá soltera tanto tiempo, él era el ejemplo de papá, del hombre de la casa. Aunque yo no vivía con él, él siempre guiaba a mis hijas y todo, pero te digo, es como dice ella. Yo con mis hijas no cocino, todos los días comemos afuera, pero yo les tengo, "¿Sabes qué? Cuando yo pague y--", todos los días, "Desde cuando estemos cenando, yo no quiero que estén en el teléfono. Estamos en familia, estamos platicando, el teléfono lo hagan para un lado. No me interesa que sea una amiga, estamos nosotros aquí". Para mí

society, this society is what we talk about. Is that the basis you gave him?

[00:56:54] G3: A: Yeah, but what I'm getting at, I for example that was with my kids there, with teachers the same thing. We are all trying to look good to society and it is society itself that is contaminating us. What is happening right now? Before, for example, I always told my children, "We're all going to sit down and eat as a family". Now they're teenagers, it's no longer, "We sit down to eat," and we're like this, here. Society itself is contaminating us, separating us. We want to look good to society, to a society that is no longer corrupt to everyone.

[00:57:27] Moderator: G3: K, do you want to say something?

[00:57:29] G3: K: I always, I have a 27 year old daughter and an 18 year old daughter. I was a single mom most of that time. A lot of people have said to me, "G3: K, you have raised your daughters super well." Yes I have been strict and whatever you want, but I have always taught them respect. "You have to have discipline, you have to follow rules, for everything there you have, there is a structure of rules, of values." Everything starts at home. My dad before he passed away, that many years ago, he was like the-- Because I was a single mom for so long, he was the example of dad, the man of the house. Even though I didn't live with him, he always guided my daughters and everything, but I tell you, it's like she says. I don't cook with my daughters, we eat out every day, but I have them, "You know what? When I pay and--", every day, "From when we're having dinner, I don't want them to be on the phone. We are with our family, we are talking, put the phone aside. I don't care if she's a friend, we're here." For me it is that, values that are being lost even at the table.

es eso, valores que se están perdiendo hasta en la mesa.

[00:58:50] Moderator: G3: J, para ti, ¿qué hace un buen ciudadano? ¿Qué hace, qué no hace para--? ¿Cuáles son sus obligaciones como miembro de nuestra sociedad?

[00:59:02] G3: J: Por mí, me aseguro que mis hijos aprendan a respetar la ley. Hay cosas que hay fuera de su control que uno no puede controlar, pero uno tiene que seguir su imagen, qué es lo que ellos quieren ser, sin faltarle el respeto a la comunidad. Una persona que no abusa de lo que pueden hacer, como le digo a mis hijos, ellos saben la historia de cómo falleció su hermano. "No meterte en una vida donde pienses que la vida va a ser más fácil, manteniendo esto, haciendo esta sola cosa te va a hacer la vida más fácil, porque todos los actos que uno hace tienen consecuencias". Entrenándoles a mis hijos, se aprende. Uno sabe que una familia no es perfecta para aprender de unos errores que G3: I contabilidad por sus actos.

[01:00:01] Moderator: Nadie me ha hablado de la votación, a participar en la votación. ¿Eso es algo importante de un buen ciudadano?

[01:00:12] G3: A: Sí es importante para-

[01:00:14] G3: K: No sé qué está pasando. Te digo, yo estoy media perdida con esto, porque con eso de la votación-- Te digo, estoy confundida porque la verdad no sé, no me he metido en esto de eso. Eso de [unintelligible 01:00:28] que quiere algo de la votación fuera del-- No sé si votar-- Es que estoy confundida. No sé yo mucho de eso, pero sé que algo que no debe la gente fuera de [unintelligible 01:00:41] areas, que está bien que no voten o no sé cómo está, o que voten pero afuera, no entiendo.

[01:00:46] Moderator: La votación, lo que pasa con la votación y lo que es un buen

[00:58:50] Moderator: G3: J, for you, what makes a good citizen? What does it do, what doesn't it do to...? What are your obligations as a member of our society?

[00:59:02] G3: J: For me, I make sure my children learn to respect the law. There are things out of your control that you can't control, but you have to follow their image, what they want to be, without disrespecting the community. A person who does not abuse what they can do, as I tell my children, they know the story of how their brother passed away.

"Not getting into a life where you think life is going to be easier, keeping this, doing this one thing is going to make your life easier, because every act you do has consequences." By training my children, you learn. One knows that a family is not perfect to learn from mistakes that G3: I accountable for their actions.

[01:00:01] Moderator: No one has told me about the vote, to participate in the vote. Is that an important thing about a good citizen?

[01:00:12] G3: A: Yes it is important to-

[01:00:14] G3: K: I don't know what's going on. I tell you, I'm kind of lost with this, because with this voting thing... I tell you, I'm confused because I really don't know, I haven't been involved in this thing. That from [unintelligible 01:00:28] Who wants something from the vote out of the-- I don't know whether to vote-- I'm just confused. I don't know much about it myself, but I know that something that people shouldn't outside of [unintelligible 01:00:41] Areas, that it's okay that they don't vote or I don't know how it is, or they vote but outside, I don't understand.

[01:00:46] Moderator: Voting, what about voting and what is a good citizen, I think a good citizen should vote.

ciudadano, yo pienso que un buen ciudadano debería votar.

[01:00:55] G3: L: Yo crecí en un país donde la votación es obligatoria, si no vas te penalizan. Yo por ejemplo, estoy acá y ya tengo deuda en Perú por no haber votado en Perú, porque todavía no muevo mi residencia para aquí.

Crecí obligada a votar, obligada si quería evitar la multa. Acá no, acá es libre, este es el país de la libertad. Creo que sí es importante acercarse a votar y presenciar, evitar fraude porque estamos eligiendo a los gobernadores, a los gobernantes que van a poner las leyes, que van a hacer los executive orders, a los de la justicia que van a aplicar las leyes, etcétera. Sí debe haber una conciencia ciudadana de responsable, de ir a elegir a los gobernantes.

[01:02:03] Moderator: ¿Qué hay del servicio de jurado? ¿Eso es una obligación también?

[01:02:07] G3: L: ¿Cuál es el servicio de jurado?

[01:02:09] G3: I: Jury duty.

[01:02:10] G3: CS: Ese es muy importante.

[01:02:12] G3: K: Yo tengo toda esa semana en jury duty.

[risas]

[01:02:16] G3: L: Eso es algo que-- Me encanta eso. Nunca he ido, pero me encanta la idea.

[01:02:26] G3: CE: Sí es importante el jury duty. Es parte de ser ciudadano, de tu obligación. Es medio aburrido a veces, a veces es exciting, pero es obligación de todos hacerlo.

[01:02:46] G3: K: A mí no me gusta.

[risas]

[01:00:55] G3: L: I grew up in a country where voting is mandatory, if you don't go they penalize you. For example, I am here and I already have a debt in Perú for not having voted in Perú, because I have not yet moved my residence here.

I grew up forced to vote, forced if I wanted to avoid the fine. Not here, here it is free, this is the country of freedom. I think it is important to go to the polls to vote and to witness, to avoid fraud because we are electing governors, governors who are going to set the laws, who are going to make the executive orders, those in the justice system who are going to apply the laws, etcetera. Yes, there must be a responsible citizen conscience, to go and elect the rulers.

[01:02:03] Moderator: What about jury service? Is that an obligation as well?

[01:02:07] G3: L: What is the jury service?

[01:02:09] G3: I: Jury duty.

[01:02:10] G3: CS: That one is very important.

[01:02:12] G3: K: I have that whole week on jury duty.

[laughs]

[01:02:16] G3: L: That's something that-- I love that. I've never been, but I love the idea.

[01:02:26] G3: CE: Yes jury duty is important. It is part of being a citizen, your obligation. It's kind of boring sometimes, sometimes it's exciting, but it's everyone's obligation to do it.

[01:02:46] G3: K: I don't like it.

[laughs]

[01:02:49] Moderator: But does it?

[01:02:49] Moderator: ¿Pero lo hace?

[01:02:50] G3: K: Sí, todas las semanas. Es obligatorio y lo respeto, pero también hay cosas- no me tocó un juicio o nada ahora, ni mañana me toca ir, no sé por qué, pero yo pienso que es como todo. Aquí en Estados Unidos y en México que hay como-- No es fraude, pero es como ella dice, "Esto salió de mi hijo, esto, esto, esto, esto y querían que los juzgara". Creo que es lo mismo cuando vas a corte. La ponen muy bonita-

[01:03:30] G3: A: Como una presión.

[01:03:31] G3: K: Sí, pero--

[conversación cruzada]

[01:03:38] Moderator: La participación en protestas, ¿es algo que hace un buen ciudadano?

[01:03:42] G3: K: Eso a mí me da miedo. Yo no me quiero meter en problemas.

[01:03:46] G3: I: Nada que ver.

[risas]

[01:03:50] Moderator: A ver G3: CS, porque eres el más calladito.

[01:03:54] G3: CS: La protesta es algo que de pronto el deber pesa, debe ser un derecho [unintelligible 01:04:01] lo pudieras expresar cuando lo haces de la debida forma. Es un derecho adquirido que todo ser humano tiene ese derecho de poderlo hacer. El problema es que no siempre la protesta tiene que ser hecha en la manera más adecuada. Volviendo nuevamente al tema de la educación, realmente yo me remito a la palabra de Dios que dice en Proverbios de que, "Educa al niño en la palabra de Dios y aunque llegue a viejo jamás se apartará de ella". Si los niños fueran educados desde pequeños, y no te digo que todas las leyes

[01:02:50] G3: K: Yes, every week. It is mandatory and I respect that, but there are also things - I didn't have a trial or anything now, and tomorrow I don't have to go, I don't know why, but I think it's like everything else. Here in the United States and in Mexico that there is like-- It's not fraud, but it's like she says, "This came out of my son, this, this, this, this, this, this, this and they wanted me to judge them." I think it's the same when you go to court. They make it very pretty-

[01:03:30] Soul: As a pressure.

[01:03:31] G3: K: Yes, but--

[cross talk]

[01:03:38] Moderator: Is participating in protests something a good citizen does?

[01:03:42] G3: K: That to me is scary. I don't want to get into trouble.

[01:03:46] G3: I: Nothing to see.

[laughs]

[01:03:50] Moderator: Let's see G3: CS, because you are the quietest.

[01:03:54] G3: CS: Protest is something that suddenly duty weighs, it should be a right.

[unintelligible 01:04:01] you could express it when you do it in the proper way. It is an acquired right that every human being has the right to be able to do so. The problem is that protest does not always have to be done in the most appropriate way. Returning again to the subject of education, I really refer to the word of God which says in Proverbs that, "Train up a child in the word of God, and though he grow old he will never depart from it". If children were educated from a young age, and I'm not telling you that all laws are based on the Bible, in some way they are based on the Bible, they have some support in the Bible, some laws especially in

están basadas en la Biblia, de alguna forma están basadas en la Biblia, tienen algún soporte en la Biblia, algunas leyes sobre todo en este país, que cuando se crearon las leyes hace muchísimo tiempo, fueron creadas en base a eso.

Si uno tiene ese conocimiento desde pequeño, nuevamente vuelvo al tema de que [unintelligible 01:04:59] por falta de de conocimiento. Si no conociera la biblia. Ese es un manual de vida que está ahí, el problema es que no han podido aprender a entenderla, a valorarla, y a que sea la guía de uno en su vida.

[01:05:17] Moderator: Se nos está acabando el tiempo y hay otra parte más que quiero-- Ojalá que puedan quedarse unos 10 minutos más, ¿está bien? Rapidito, ¿cómo se registraron para votar? ¿Cómo te registraste para votar, G3: J? ¿Alguien te-?

[01:05:35] G3: J: Desde que cumplí 18 años yo hice la tarjeta.

[01:05:39] Moderator: G3: I, ¿cómo fue que te registraste para votar?

[01:05:44] G3: I: En realidad, como nos indicaron en--

[01:05:49] Moderator: ¿Cuándo?

[01:05:51] G3: I: Eso fue-- En realidad no recuerdo la última vez.

[01:05:57] Moderator: ¿Dónde pasó esto? ¿Cómo sucedió que te registraste?

[01:06:04] G3: I: De verdad que no recuerdo en este momento cómo fue, pero sé que voté en la época de Obama. Ahí fue donde voté, pero no me pregunte cómo.

[01:06:17] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿cómo te registras para votar?

[01:06:20] G3: CS: Para la votación del primer periodo de Obama.

this country, that when the laws were created a very long time ago, they were created based on that.

If one has that knowledge from a young age, again I go back to the issue of that. [unintelligible 01:04:59] For lack of knowledge. If I didn't know the Bible. That is a life manual that is there, the problem is that they have not been able to learn to understand it, to value it, and to make it one's guide in life.

[01:05:17] Moderator: We're running out of time and there's one more part I want--I hope you can stay for another 10 minutes, okay? Quickly, how did you register to vote? How did you register to vote, G3: J? Anyone ...?

[01:05:35] G3: J: Since I turned 18 I got the card.

[01:05:39] Moderator: G3: I, how did you register to vote?

[01:05:44] G3: I: Actually, as they indicated to us in--.

[01:05:49] Moderator: When?

[01:05:51] G3: I: That was--I don't really remember the last time.

[01:05:57] Moderator: Where did this happen? How did you happen to register?

[01:06:04] G3: I: I really don't remember at the moment what it was like, but I know I voted in the Obama era. That's where I voted, but don't ask me how.

[01:06:17] Moderator: G3: CS, how do you register to vote?

[01:06:20] G3: CS: For Obama's first term vote.

[01:06:25] Moderator: Did someone come to your house or at the store or where? How did it go? How did you register?

[01:06:25] Moderator: ¿Alguien fue a tu casa o en la tienda o dónde? ¿Cómo fue? Para registrarte, ¿cómo le hiciste?

[01:06:31] G3: I: Yo no me acuerdo.

[01:06:33] G3: CS: A ver, creo que fue un amigo que me comentó. Fui con él, correcto.

[01:06:40] Moderator: ¿G3: L?

[01:06:41] G3: L: Yo tengo historia de tres registraciones acá en los Estados Unidos. La primera en Nueva York cuando me volví ciudadana. Me preguntaron seguramente al momento de recoger algún documento y dije, "Sí". La segunda en Perú. Viviendo con doble ciudadanía en Perú me registré por la web. Voté llevando mi voto a la embajada norteamericana en Perú. La tercera acá en Georgia hace un año. Creo que fue cuando saqué la licencia.

[01:07:18] Moderator: ¿Ana?

[01:07:19] G3: A: Yo por medio de mi trabajo. En la compañía donde estábamos, [unintelligible 01:07:24], es una compañía conocida mundialmente. Ellos exigen eso.

[01:07:28] Moderator: ¿G3: K?

[01:07:30] G3: K: Yo creo que cuando me hice ciudadana. Si no fue eso, fue hace mucho tiempo.

[01:07:39] Moderator: ¿G3: CE?

[01:07:40] G3: CE: Me registré de 18, pero creo que cada estado a donde hemos ido, cada vez que nos registrábamos de nuevo nos registraban automático, creo.

[01:07:51] Moderator: Ahora quiero que tomen un momento aquí en esta página cuatro, yo creo. Si me pueden poner en la parte de arriba, escriba lo primero que le venga a la mente cuando piensa en el Partido Demócrata. Puede ser una o dos palabras, puede ser lo que sea. Luego abajo

[01:06:31] G3: I: I don't remember.

[01:06:33] G3: CS: Let's see, I think it was a friend who told me. I went with him, right.

[01:06:40] Moderator: G3: L?

[01:06:41] G3: L: I have a history of three registrations here in the United States. The first one in New York when I became a citizen. I was probably asked when I picked up a document and I said, "Yes". The second in Perú. Living with dual citizenship in Perú I registered through the web. I voted by taking my ballot to the U.S. Embassy in Perú. The third one here in Georgia a year ago. I think that's when I got my license.

[01:07:18] Moderator: Ana?

[01:07:19] G3: A: I through my work. In the company where we were, [unintelligible 01:07:24] is a world-renowned company. They demand that.

[01:07:28] Moderator: G3: K?

[01:07:30] G3: K: I think when I became a citizen. If it wasn't that, it was a long time ago.

[01:07:39] Moderator: G3: CE?

[01:07:40] G3: CE: I registered from 18, but I think every state we've gone to, every time we re-registered we were automatically registered, I think.

[01:07:51] Moderator: Now I want you to take a moment here on this page four, I believe. If you can put me at the top, write the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the Democratic Party. It can be one or two words, it can be anything. Then below write the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the Republican Party. It can be in English or Spanish, whatever.

escriba lo primero que le venga a la mente cuando piensa en el Partido Republicano. Puede ser en inglés o en español, lo que sea. No quiero que se nos pierda el tiempo, así que voy nomás a ir alrededor de la mesa. ¿Qué pusiste o qué estás poniendo ahí en el Partido Demócrata, G3: J?

[01:09:12] G3: J: No han cumplido nada. Apenas estamos a-- Uno de los ejemplos es [unintelligible 01:09:20] Por años he escuchado que van a hacer algo y le siguen dando un pass. Hay estudiantes que están esperando que les anulen o les suspendan los pagos hasta que puedan los que no tienen trabajo. Para mí, eso. No he escuchado tampoco nada de migración, ¿qué es lo que están haciendo?

[01:09:46] Moderator: G3: I, ¿qué pusiste sobre el Partido Demócrata?

[01:09:51] G3: I: Yo de política lo que medio escucho, pero de verdad que pienso que el Partido Demócrata, de pronto las oportunidades que le plantean a la gente han sido muy escasas, las soluciones que le presentan son muy escasas. En la del republicano, me parecen muy dominantes, muy inmanejables.

[01:10:13] Moderator: G3: CS, ¿qué le pusiste en el Partido Demócrata?

[01:10:15] G3: CS: Yo tengo una comparación con lo que son los partidos en Colombia y en la mayoría de nuestros países latinos, sobre todo sudamericanos. Somos americanos, acá le dicen americanos a los del norte, todos somos americanos. Norteamericanos, centroamericanos, suramericanos, pero todo pertenecemos a un mismo continente, América. El demócrata se asemeja mucho al Partido Liberal. Es un partido abierto, participativo y no es restrictivo. El Partido Republicano lo veo, a similitud con el nuestro, es el conservador, que es un partido más cerrado, más radical, más encerrado a sus principios, no es tan participativo. Esa es la similitud que yo hago.

I don't want to waste our time, so I'm just going to go around the table. What did you put or what are you putting there in the Democratic Party, G3: J?

[01:09:12] G3: J: They haven't fulfilled anything. We're just a-- One of the examples is. [unintelligible 01:09:20] For years I've heard they're going to do something and they keep giving it a pass. There are students who are waiting for their payments to be cancelled or suspended until those who are unemployed can. For me, that. I haven't heard anything about migration either, what are they doing?

[01:09:46] Moderator: G3: I, what did you put about the Democratic Party?

[01:09:51] G3: I: I only half listen to politics, but I really think that the Democratic Party, suddenly the opportunities they offer to the people have been very scarce, the solutions they present are very scarce. In the Republican's, I find them very overbearing, very unmanageable.

[01:10:13] Moderator: G3: CS, what did you put in the Democratic Party?

[01:10:15] G3: CS: I have a comparison with the parties in Colombia and in most of our Latin American countries, especially in South America. We are Americans, here they call Americans to those from the north, we are all Americans. North Americans, Central Americans, South Americans, but we all belong to the same continent, America. The Democrat closely resembles the Liberal Party. It is an open, participatory and non-restrictive party. The Republican Party I see, similar to ours, is the conservative party, which is a more closed party, more radical, more closed to its principles, it is not so participative. That is the similarity I make. Democrat is liberal, Republican is conservative.

Demócrata es liberal, republicano es conservador.

[01:11:11] Moderator: G3: L, ¿qué pusiste en republicano?

[01:11:14] G3: L: En demócrata, corrupción sin precedentes. Está en el gobierno actual por fraude, liberal, como G3: CS, pero no en el sentido que él lo entiende que es liberal. Liberal va en contra de la moral, pérdida de valores. En el caso del Republicano, corrupción sin precedentes igual. Creo que ambos partidos son corruptos, se confabulan, no sé si el 100%, pero quiénes tengan la influencia se confabulan para lograr sus propósitos.

En general, el Partido Republicano para mí, y yo soy republicana desde el día uno que me hice ciudadana de esta nación, sin que hubiera todo este rollo, porque soy ciudadana desde el 2009. Conservadora, porque tiendo a conservar los valores, justamente lo que mencionaba G3: CS, los valores bajo los cuales esta nación fue instituida, valores bíblicos.

Lo está en-- [unintelligible 01:12:21], donde dice, "Pursuit of happiness". ¿Cómo se llama ese documento? Ahí están establecidos los valores de esta nación. Por eso me considero republicana, conservadora de esos valores.

[01:12:37] Moderator: Ana, ¿qué pusiste para el demócrata?

[01:12:38] G3: A: Yo solamente puse que necesitamos ayuda a que ellos cumplan con las promesas que nos hicieron, en la economía, migración, con los demócratas. En el segundo, de republicanos solamente puse, "El país requiere de su soporte". Para mí, tal parece que ellos son los que se inclinan un poquito más a ayudarnos de alguna forma.

[01:12:58] Moderator: G3: K.

[01:13:00] G3: K: Yo puse que el Partido Demócrata me ha decepcionado.

[01:13:07] Moderator: ¿Mal decepcionado?

[01:11:11] Moderator: G3: L, what did you put in republican?

[01:11:14] G3: L: In Democrat, unprecedented corruption. He is in the current government for fraud, liberal, like G3: CS, but not in the sense that he understands it to be liberal. Liberal goes against morals, loss of values. In the case of the Republican, corruption without equal precedent. I think both parties are corrupt, they collude, I don't know if 100%, but whoever has the influence colludes to achieve their purposes.

In general, the Republican Party for me, and I've been a Republican since day one that I became a citizen of this nation, without all of this hoopla going on, because I've been a citizen since 2009. Conservative, because I tend to conserve the values, precisely what G3: CS mentioned, the values under which this nation was instituted, biblical values. It's in-- [unintelligible 01:12:21], where it says, "Pursuit of happiness". What is the name of that document? The values of this nation are established there. That is why I consider myself a republican, to preserve those values.

[01:12:37] Moderator: Ana, what did you put for the democrat?

[01:12:38] G3: A: I only put that we need help that they keep the promises they made to us, on the economy, migration, with the Democrats. In the second, from Republicans only I put, "The country requires your support." To me, they seem to be the ones who are a little more inclined to help us in some way.

[01:12:58] Moderator: G3: K.

[01:13:00] G3: K: I put that the Democratic Party has disappointed me.

[01:13:07] Moderator: Badly disappointed?

[01:13:08] G3: K: Me ha decepcionado porque no siento que no han hecho nada para su propia gente, para su país. El Partido Republicano es, como dice ella, es conservador, pero se aferran a lo que creen. Sí, están aferrados. Es como dicen, los valores del país, de lo que se requiere el país.

[01:13:37] Moderator: G3: CE, ¿qué le pusiste? ¿Ya dijiste republicano? Perdón.

[01:13:41] G3: K: Sí, es lo que dije ahorita.

[01:13:42] Moderator: Okay, perdón. ¿G3: CE?

[01:13:45] G3: CE: Para el Demócrata puse, "Broken promises". Puro promesa que hacen que no cumplen nada, dando a la gente entitlements.

[01:13:57] Moderator: ¿Y Republicano qué dice?

[01:14:00] G3: CE: Republicans puse, "Mejor economía, más oportunidades y más dinero para la familia". Se ve en sus cheques más dinero.

[01:14:12] Moderator: ¿Dirán que los partidos políticos le están dando la bienvenida a los hispanos o invitan a los hispanos? ¿Les dan bienvenida?

[01:14:22] G3: L: Más que nunca están entrando, pero--

[risas]

[01:14:26] G3: L: En Perú decimos como cancha, porque se come mucha cancha allá, que es el popcorn. Sí, hoy más que nunca, pero como lo dicen, broken promises, ¿de qué? Los emigrantes que ya están acá y

[01:13:08] G3: K: I have been disappointed because I don't feel that they have done nothing for their own people, for their country. The Republican Party is, as she says, is conservative, but they stick to what they believe in. Yes, they are clinging. It is, as they say, the values of the country, of what the country requires.

[01:13:37] Moderator: G3: CE, what did you put in it? Did you already say Republican? Sorry.

[01:13:41] G3: K: Yeah, that's what I said just now.

[01:13:42] Moderator: Okay, sorry. G3: CE?

[01:13:45] G3: CE: For the Democrat I put, "Broken promises." Pure promise they make that they don't deliver anything, giving people entitlements.

[01:13:57] Moderator: And Republican what do you say?

[01:14:00] G3: CE: Republicans I put, "Better economy, more opportunities and more money for the family." You see in their checks more money.

[01:14:12] Moderator: Will they say that political parties are welcoming Hispanics or inviting Hispanics? Do you welcome them?

[01:14:22] G3: L: More than ever they're coming in, but--.

[laughs]

[01:14:26] G3: L: In Perú we say "cancha", because they eat a lot of cancha there, which is popcorn. Yes, today more than ever, but as they say, broken promises of what? The immigrants who are already here and still don't have their legal status, still crying for their legal status in the meantime-.

todavía no tienen su legalidad, llorando todavía por esa legalidad mientras-

[01:14:48] G3: K: Aquellos son permitidos de venir, como, "Ay, sí, sí".

[01:14:51] G3: CE: Que hay unos aquí que de veras necesitan [unintelligible 01:14:53].

[01:14:54] G3: K: Sí, exactamente. Como a todos los miles y miles que trajeron de Afganistán, vamos a suponer. Miles y miles gastaron, tanto dinero, y aquí en tu país mucha gente no tiene trabajo. Unos porque no quieren trabajar, pero otros porque vienen a trabajar y se les dan el dinero de amnistía. Tu país ocupa tanto dinero en tantas-- No solo le trates como lo has estado dando, pero hay programas que lo puedes invertir para tu país.

Yo te digo, yo me vine igual de ilegal cuando me vine, cuando me trajeron de un año, pero creo que están dejando entrar-- Es demasiado, son demasiados que están dejando entrar. No nomás latinos, sino que de todos los países. Es demás, y no hay ningún tipo de control. "Todos bienvenidos". El dinero es de la economía americana que se le está dando a ellos y las oportunidades.

[01:16:08] Moderator: Tengo preguntita, otra más que quiero hacer antes que nos vamos. Cuando piensan en los partidos demócrata o republicano, ¿tienen opinión positiva acerca de los partidos? ¿Tienen una opinión positiva acerca de los demócratas, de los republicanos?

[01:16:32] G3: K: Yo pienso también son todos corruptos iguales como en México. Todos son corruptos, pero aquí son por abajo de la mesa, tratan de esconderlo un poco más y en México no les importa decirlo. Es igual de corruptos.

[01:16:47] G3: A: Yo digo que aquí en Estados Unidos te roban decentemente. Ya le explico. Nos roban y peor que en México, porque en México [unintelligible 01:16:55], pero aquí te roban decentemente y no

[01:14:48] G3: K: Those are allowed to come, like, "Oh, yeah, yeah."

[01:14:51] G3: CE: That there are some here that really need [unintelligible 01:14:53].

[01:14:54] G3: K: Yes, exactly. Like all the thousands and thousands they brought back from Afghanistan, let's assume. Thousands and thousands spent, so much money, and here in your country many people have no work. Some because they don't want to work, but others because they come to work and are given amnesty money. Your country takes up so much money in so many-- don't just treat it the way you've been giving it, but there are programs that you can invest it for your country.

I tell you, I came just as illegal when I came, when they brought me in from a year ago, but I think they're letting in--it's too many, there's too many they're letting in. Not only Latinos, but from all countries. It's too much, and there is no control whatsoever. "All welcome." The money is from the American economy being given to them and the opportunities.

[01:16:08] Moderator: I have one more question I want to ask before we leave. When you think of the Democratic or Republican parties, do you have a positive opinion of the parties? positive about the parties? Do you have a positive opinion about the Democrats, about the Republicans?

[01:16:32] G3: K: I also think they are all corrupt just like in Mexico. They are all corrupt, but here they are under the table, they try to hide it a little more and in Mexico they don't mind saying so. They are equally corrupt.

[01:16:47] G3: A: I say here in the United States you get robbed decently. I will explain. They steal from us and worse than in Mexico, because in Mexico. [unintelligible 01:16:55]but here they steal from you decently and you can't say no. [unintelligible 01:17:00] operating here.

puedes decir que no. [unintelligible 01:17:00] operando aquí.

[01:17:01] G3: I: Yo pienso algo, cuando uno llegó acá uno tenía una imagen totalmente diferente de los Estados Unidos, del mismo Gobierno, de las mismas leyes, de que todo andaba perfecto que todo se hacía legalmente y cuando uno se da cuenta, se hacen las mismas chuecas que se hacen en nuestros países, las mismas cosas y hasta peores.

[01:17:27] G3: K: Pero no tan descarados.

[conversación cruzada]

[01:17:29] G3: I: Un país como el de ustedes. Como dices tú, que aquí las cosas se hacen con maquillaje, se presentan de una mejor forma.

[01:17:39] G3: CS: No, pero se ven las obras.

[01:17:43] G3: I: Aquí se ven las obras, eso es verdad.

[01:17:43] G3: CE: Viene gente de aquí. Van para Guatemala, México, y los pintan foto bonito, que van a ganar dinero, dinero, y se vienen. Pobres, están aquí sin trabajo. No hay trabajo, porque no pueden tener papeles.

[01:17:58] G3: A: Ahorita que comenta eso, una vez en Facebook vi eso. Pasa un chico y dice, "Cuando estaba en mi país me decían, 'Vente a Estados Unidos, aquí vas a ganar tanto y tanto'", le pintaron todo tan bonito. Decía, "Ahora estoy aquí. Sí, es cierto, se gana mucho dinero, pero nunca me dijeron, 'Tienes que pagar renta, tienes que pagar luz, tienes que pagar agua'". Al final de cuentas dice, "De ese tanto dineral, mi gran--".

[01:17:01] G3: I: I think something, when one arrived here one had a totally different image of the United States, of the same government, of the same laws, that everything was perfect, that everything was done legally and when one realizes, they do the same things that are done in our countries, the same things and even worse.

[01:17:27] G3: K: But not so blatant.

[cross talk]

[01:17:29] G3: I: A country like yours. As you say, that here things are done with makeup, they are presented in a better way.

[01:17:39] G3: CS: No, but you see the works.

[01:17:43] G3: I: Here you see the works, that's true.

[01:17:43] G3: CE: People are coming from here. They go to Guatemala, Mexico, and they paint them a pretty picture, that they are going to make money, money, and they come. Poor people, they are here without work. There is no work, because they cannot have papers.

[01:17:58] G3: A: Just now that you comment on that, once on Facebook I saw that. A guy walks by and says, "When I was in my country they told me, 'Come to the United States, here you will earn so much and so much,'" they painted everything so beautifully. It said, "I'm here now. Yes, it's true, you make a lot of money, but I was never told, 'You have to pay rent, you have to pay electricity, you have to pay water'". At the end of the day he says, "Of that much money, my--".

[01:18:18] G3: CE: My mother-in-law before she passed away, one day we were talking to her and she says to my husband, "Have you

[01:18:18] G3: CE: Mi suegra antes que falleciera, un día estábamos hablando con ella y le dice a mi esposo, "¿Ya ganaste suficiente para tu guitarra? Según venías por la guitarra" y ya tiene años acá.

[01:18:34] Moderator: Ya se acabó el tiempo, pero quiero, si me hacen el favor de llenar la última página. Supongan que están tratando de conversar con alguien que conocen y que es latino y estás tratando de que se registren para votar. "Escribe lo que les dirías para que se registren para votar". En la segunda, quieres convencer a alguien latino que vote en las próximas elecciones generales de noviembre. "Escribe lo que les dirías". También quería preguntarles, mañana vamos a tener otro grupo de discusión, pero es de latinos ciudadanos que no están registrados para votar. Así que si conoce a alguien que es latino, que está elegible para votar, pero no está registrado para votar, favor de pasarnos su nombre. Mañana vamos a tener el grupo a las 6:00 PM y también pagan igual en \$125. Si conocen a alguien que nos puedan hacer referencia. Terminando esto se pueden salir, y dejar ahí los dos papeles. Les agradezco mucho por su participación. Ana, déjalo ahí. Al salir, deja la puerta abierta. Gracias.

[01:20:15] G3: A: Esto por aquí está bien, ¿verdad?

[01:20:16] Moderator: Sí, ahí deja todo. Si puedes tirarlo, no importa.

[01:20:19] G3: A: El suéter me lo llevo.

[01:20:21] Moderator: Llévalo también.

[risas]

[01:20:24] Moderator: Gracias.

[01:20:25] G3: A: Gracias.

earned enough for your guitar? According to you, you came for the guitar" and he's been here for years.

[01:18:34] Moderator: Time is up, but I want, if you please, to fill out the last page. Suppose you are trying to chat with someone you know who is Latino and you are trying to get them to register to vote. "Write what you would say to them to get them to register to vote." In the second, you want to convince someone Latino to vote in the upcoming November general election. "Write down what you would say to them."

I also wanted to ask you, tomorrow we are going to have another discussion group, but it is of Latino citizens who are not registered to vote. So if you know someone who is Latino, who is eligible to vote, but is not registered to vote, please pass on their name. Tomorrow we will have the group at 6:00 PM and they also pay the same at \$125. If you know someone you can refer us to. Once this is finished, you can leave and leave the two papers there. Thank you very much for your participation. Ana, leave it there. When leaving, leave the door open. Thank you.

[01:20:15] G3: A: This over here is good, isn't it?

[01:20:16] Moderator: Yes, that's where it leaves everything. If you can throw it away, it doesn't matter.

[01:20:19] G3: A: I'll take the sweater.

[01:20:21] Moderator: Take it too.

[laughs]

[01:20:24] Moderator: Thank you.

[01:20:25] G3: A: Thank you.

[01:20:26] Moderator: If you can, leave the door open.

[01:20:26] Moderator: Si puede, deje la puerta abierta.

[01:20:30] G3: A: Muchísimas gracias. Nos vemos, porque yo tengo a mi hijo allá abajo.

[01:20:36] Moderator: Córrele, gracias. Disculpe que nos-

[01:20:39] G3: I: Gracias, Moderator.

[01:20:40] G3: A: Hasta luego.

[01:20:40] G3: I: Muchas gracias, Moderator. Un placer conocerlas. Cuídense. Que estén bien.

[01:20:44] Moderator: Si conocen a alguien que mañana puede venir aquí a las 6:00 PM, pero tienen que ser elegibles para votar, pero no están registrados.

[01:20:55] G3: K: Gracias. Nos vemos.

[01:20:56] Moderator: Gracias.

[01:20:56] G3: A: Hasta luego.

[01:20:57] Moderator: Hasta luego.

[01:20:57] G3: I: Chao. Gracias.

[01:21:03] Moderator: Gracias, G3: J.

[01:21:04] G3: J: Gracias. Que le vaya bien.

[01:21:07] Moderator: Igualmente.

[ruido de fondo]

[01:20:30] G3: A: Thank you very much. See you, because I have my son down there.

[01:20:36] Moderator: Speed up, thank you. I'm sorry that we-

[01:20:39] G3: I: Thank you, Moderator.

[01:20:40] G3: A: See you later.

[01:20:40] G3: I: Thank you very much, Moderator. A pleasure to meet you. Take care. I wish you well.

[01:20:44] Moderator: If you know anyone who can come here tomorrow at 6:00 PM, but they have to be eligible to vote, but are not registered.

[01:20:55] G3: K: Thank you. See you soon.

[01:20:56] Moderator: Thank you.

[01:20:56] G3: A: See you later.

[01:20:57] Moderator: See you later.

[01:20:57] G3: I: Bye. Thank you.

[01:21:03] Moderator: Thank you, G3: J.

[01:21:04] G3: J: Thank you. All the best.

[01:21:07] Moderator: Likewise.

[background noise]

LATINO FOCUS GROUP SCREENER
ENGLISH

READ: Hello, my name is _____ from _____, a local opinion research facility. We are putting together a roundtable research discussion called a "focus group" to discuss issues relating to the state. We are not trying to sell anything. Participants will receive \$__ for attending. May I ask you a few questions to see if you qualify?

ASK OF ALL RESPONDENTS

Q1 Sex [DON'T ASK - JUST RECORD]			
	<i>Female</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
		1	
	<i>Male</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	MAX OF 7 PER GROUP
		2	

Q2 Are you at least 18 years of age, eligible to vote, and live in Nevada?			
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 TERMINATE
	<i>[VOL] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 TERMINATE

Q3 Which of the following ethnic groups describes you best?			
	<i>White or Caucasian</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 TERMINATE
	<i>Black or African-American</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 TERMINATE
	<i>Latino, Hispanic, or Mexican</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
	<i>Asian, Chinese, or Pacific Islander</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 TERMINATE
	<i>Native American</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5 TERMINATE
	<i>Mixed Race</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6 TERMINATE
	<i>[vol] Other - [Specify]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7 TERMINATE
	<i>[vol] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8 TERMINATE

Q4	Have you or any other member of your household currently or previously worked in any of the following types of organizations, industries or professions?		
	<i>State government</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINATE
	<i>City, county, or special district</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINATE
	<i>Marketing or public opinion research</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINATE
	<i>Advertising, marketing, or public relations</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	TERMINATE
	<i>A newspaper, magazine, radio, or television station</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	TERMINATE
	<i>Political consulting</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINATE
	<i>An elected official's office</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	TERMINATE

Q5	Is anyone in your household, including you, an elected or appointed official with any government body or agency?		
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINATE
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
	<i>Don't know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINATE

Q6	Have you participated in any focus group discussion or market research study in the last 12 months?		
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINATE
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	

Q7	Are you currently registered to vote?		
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	GO TO Q7A Possible Group 1 or 3
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	GO TO Q7B Possible Group 2
	<i>[vol] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINATE

Q7A	Have you ever voted in an election?		
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINATE
	<i>[vol] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINATE

Q7B	Are you eligible to vote?		
	<i>Yes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 TERMINATE
	<i>[vol] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 TERMINATE

Q8	Which category best describes your age? [RECRUIT A MIX]		
	<i>18-25</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	<i>26-30</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
	<i>31-35</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
	<i>36-40</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
	<i>41-45</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
	<i>46-50</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6
	<i>51-55</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7
	<i>56-60</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8
	<i>61-65</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9
	<i>66-70</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10
	<i>71-75</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11
	<i>76-80</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12 TERMINATE
	<i>80+</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	13 TERMINATE
	<i>[VOL] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	14 TERMINATE

Q9	What language do you usually speak at home? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?		
	<i>Only Spanish</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 GROUP 3 ONLY
	<i>More Spanish than English</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 GROUP 3 ONLY
	<i>Both equally</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 GROUP 1, 2 or 3
	<i>More English than Spanish</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4 GROUP 1 or 2)

	<i>Only English</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	GROUP 1 or 2
	<i>[vol] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINATE

Q10	Which one of the following best describes your work situation - are you employed, retired/disabled, unemployed, a student, or a homemaker?		
	<i>Employed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	
	<i>Retired/Disabled</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINATE DISABLED
	<i>Unemployed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>Student</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
	<i>Homemaker</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
	<i>[vol] Don't Know /Not Sure</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINATE

Q11	[IF EMPLOYED] Could you tell me what you do for a living? [WRITE-IN]		

Q12	Which of the following categories best describes your total household income - just stop me when I get to the right one...		
	<i>Under \$10,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	
	<i>\$10,001-\$20,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
	<i>\$20,001-\$30,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>\$30,001-\$40,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
	<i>\$40,001-\$50,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
	<i>\$50,001-\$60,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	
	<i>\$60,001-\$75,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	
	<i>\$75,001-\$100,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	
	<i>Over \$100,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	
	<i>[vol] Don't Know/Refused</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	

Q13	Are you currently married, single, divorced, or widowed?	
	<i>Married</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	<i>Single</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	<i>Divorced</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<i>Widowed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
	<i>[vol] Don't Know/Refused</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

Q14	What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?	
	<i>High school or less</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	<i>Some college</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	<i>College graduate</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<i>Post graduate</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
	<i>[VOL] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

Q15	What is your national ancestry other than American? [READ LIST ONLY IF NECESSARY; RANDOMIZE]	
	<i>Mexican</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	<i>Puerto Rican</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	<i>Salvadorian</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<i>Cuban</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
	<i>Venezuelan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
	<i>Guatemalan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
	<i>Honduran</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7
	<i>Nicaraguan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8
	<i>Colombian</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 9
	<i>[vol] Other Caribbean</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 10
	<i>[vol] Other Central American</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 11
	<i>[vol] Other South American</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 12
	<i>[vol] Other Hispanic/Latino</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 13
	<i>[vol] Other [Specify]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 14
	<i>[vol] Refused</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 15

Q16	What is your party affiliation?	
	<i>Republican</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 Recruit 3 or more
	<i>Democrat</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Recruit 3 or more
	<i>Independent or other</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<i>Unsure</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4

READ: I'd like to invite you to a group discussion. Your participation in it will be strictly confidential. The group will meet on [GIVE DAY/DATE] at [TIME] for no more than two hours and I think you will find the discussion very interesting. You will also be paid an honorarium for your participation.

Will you be able to participate?

IF PARTICIPANT ACCEPTS INVITATION TO ATTEND THE SESSION, CONFIRM THE DATE AND TIME OF THE SESSION AND GIVE PARTICIPANT ADDRESS OF AND DIRECTIONS TO THE FACILITY. ASK PARTICIPANT TO ARRIVE ABOUT 10 MINUTES BEFORE THE SESSION BEGINS. CONFIRM PARTICIPANT'S HOME AND WORK PHONE NUMBERS.

<p>LATINO FOCUS GROUP SCREENER ESPAÑOL</p>
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iv	<p>LEE: Hola, mi nombre es _____ de _____, un centro de investigación de opinión local. Estamos organizando una discusión de investigación de mesa redonda llamada "grupo de enfoque" para discutir temas relacionados con el estado. No estamos tratando de vender nada. Los participantes recibirán \$__ por asistir. ¿Puedo hacerle algunas preguntas para ver si califica?</p>
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N3	<p>PREGUNTAR A TODOS LOS ENCUESTADOS</p>
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Q1	Sexo [NO PREGUNTE - SOLO REGISTRE]			
	<i>Mujer</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1		
	<i>Hombre</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Máximo de 7 por grupo	

Q2	¿Tiene al menos 18 años de edad, elegible para votar y vive en Nevada?			
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1		
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR	
	<i>[VOL] Don't Know</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR	

Q3	¿Cuál de los siguientes grupos étnicos te describe mejor?		
	<i>Blanco o caucásico</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINAR
	<i>Negro o afroamericano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR
	<i>Latino, hispano o mexicano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>Asiático, chino o isleño del Pacífico</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	TERMINAR
	<i>Nativo americano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	TERMINAR
	<i>Raza mixta</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINAR
	<i>[vol] Otro - [Especificar]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	TERMINAR
	<i>[vol] No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	TERMINAR

Q4 ¿Usted o algún otro miembro de su casa ha trabajado actualmente o anteriormente en algunde los siguientes tipos de organizaciones, industrias o profesiones?

	<i>Gobierno estatal</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINAR
	<i>Ciudad, condado o distrito especial</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR
	<i>Investigación de mercadotecnia o de opinión pública</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR
	<i>Publicidad, marketing o relaciones públicas</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	TERMINAR
	<i>Un periódico, revista, estación de radio o televisión</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	TERMINAR
	<i>Consultoría política</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINAR
	<i>La oficina de un funcionario electo</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	TERMINAR

Q5	¿Alguien en su casa, incluido usted, es un funcionario electo o designado de algún organismo o agencia gubernamental?		
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINAR
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
	<i>No Sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR

Q6	¿Ha participado en alguna discusión de grupo o estudio de investigación de mercado en los últimos 12 meses?		
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	TERMINAR
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	

Q7	¿Está actualmente registrado para votar?		
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	GO TO Q7A
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Go to Q7b Possible Group 2 - BUT MUST SPEAK ENGLISH **
	[vol] <i>No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR

Q7A	¿Alguna vez ha votado en unas elecciones?		
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Go to Q8
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR
	[vol] <i>No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR

Q7B	¿Es usted elegible para votar?		
	<i>Sí</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Go to Q8
	<i>No</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR
	<i>[vol]No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	TERMINAR

**NOTE: WE ARE ONLY RECRUITING SPANISH SPEAKERS WHO ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE AND HAVE VOTED. Non-registered citizens who are eligible to vote will be an English Group 2.*

Q8	¿Qué categoría describe mejor su edad? [RECLUTAR UNA MEZCLA]		
	<i>18-25</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	
	<i>26-30</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	
	<i>31-35</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>36-40</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
	<i>41-45</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
	<i>46-50</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	
	<i>51-55</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7	
	<i>56-60</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8	
	<i>61-65</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	

		66-70	<input type="checkbox"/> 10	
		71-75	<input type="checkbox"/> 11	
		76-80	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	TERMINAR
		80+	<input type="checkbox"/> 13	TERMINAR
		[VOL] Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> 14	TERMINAR

Q9	¿Qué idioma sueles hablar en casa? Sólo español, más español que inglés, ambos por igual, mas ingles que español, o solo ingles?		
	Sólo español	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	GROUP 3 ONLY
	<i>More Spanish than English</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	GROUP 3 ONLY
	<i>Ambos por igual</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	GROUP 1, 2 or 3
	<i>Mas ingles que español</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	GROUP 1 or 2)
	<i>Solo ingles</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	GROUP 1 or 2
	[vol] Don't Know	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINATE

Q10	Which one of the following best describes your work situation - are you employed, retired/disabled, unemployed, a student, or a homemaker?		
	<i>Employed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	
	<i>Retired/Disabled</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	TERMINAR
	<i>Unemployed</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>Student</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
	<i>Homemaker</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	
	[vol] No sé	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	TERMINAR

Q 11	[SI EMPLEADO] ¿Podría decirme a qué se dedica? [ESCRIBIR EN]

Q12	¿Cuál de las siguientes categorías describe mejor los ingresos totales de su casa? Deténgame cuando llegue a la correcta...		
	<i>Menos de \$10,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	<i>\$10,001-\$20,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
	<i>\$20,001-\$30,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
	<i>\$30,001-\$40,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
	<i>\$40,001-\$50,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5
	<i>\$50,001-\$60,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6
	<i>\$60,001-\$75,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7
	<i>\$75,001-\$100,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8
	<i>Más de \$100,000</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9
	<i>[vol]No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10

Q13	¿Está actualmente casado, soltero, divorciado o viudo?		
	<i>Casado/a</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1
	<i>Único</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2
	<i>Divorciado</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3
	<i>Viudo</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4
	<i>[vol] No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5

Q14	¿Cuál es el último año de estudios que ha completado?	
	<i>Secundaria o menos</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	<i>Alguna educación superior</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	<i>Graduado universitario</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	Diploma de graduación	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
	<i>[VOL] No sé</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5

Q15	¿Cuál es su ascendencia nacional además de estadounidense? [LEA LA LISTA SOLO SI ES NECESARIO; ALEATORIZAR]	
	<i>Mexicano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1
	<i>Puertorriqueño</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2
	<i>Salvadoreño</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3
	<i>Cubano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4
	<i>Venezolano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5
	<i>Guatemalteco</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 6
	<i>Hondureño</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 7
	<i>Nicaragüense</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 8
	<i>Colombiano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 9
	<i>[vol] Otro Caribe</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 10
	<i>[vol] Otros Centroamericanos</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 11
	<i>[vol] Otro sudamericano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 12
	<i>[vol] Otro Hispano / Latino</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 13
	<i>[vol] Otro [Especificar]</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 14

		<i>[vol]Rechazado</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 15
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Q16	¿Cuál es su afiliación partidaria?		
	<i>Republicano</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Recruit 3 or more
	<i>Demócrata</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Recruit 3 or more
	<i>Independiente o otra.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	
	<i>Inseguro</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 4	
	<i>Ninguno</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> 5	

LEE: Me gustaría invitarte a una discusión grupal. Su participación en el mismo será estrictamente confidencial. El grupo se reunirá el [DÍA/FECHA] a las [HORA] por no más de dos horas y creo que la discusión les resultará muy interesante. También se le pagará un honorario por su participación.

¿Podrás participar?

SI ACEPTA LA INVITACIÓN PARA ASISTIR A LA SESIÓN, CONFIRME LA FECHA Y HORA DE LA SESIÓN Y PROPORCIONE A PARTICIPANTE LA DIRECCIÓN Y LAS DIRECCIONES PARA LLEGAR A LA INSTALACIÓN. PIDA A PARTICIPANTE QUE LLEGUE UNOS 10 MINUTOS ANTES DEL COMIENZO DE LA SESIÓN. CONFIRME LOS NÚMEROS DE TELÉFONO DE CASA Y DEL TRABAJO DE PARTICIPANTE.

INTAKE QUESTIONNAIRE

Name (First Name & Last Initial): _____

Q1. Gender

- Female..... 1
- Male..... 2
- Other..... 3

Q2. What is your national ancestry other than American?

- Mexican..... 1
- Puerto Rican..... 2
- Salvadorian..... 3
- Cuban..... 4
- Venezuelan..... 5
- Guatemalan..... 6
- Honduran 7
- Nicaraguan..... 8
- Colombian..... 9
- Other Caribbean..... 10
- Other Central American..... 11
- Other South American..... 12
- Other Hispanic/Latino..... 13 *Specify* _____
- Other 14 *Specify* _____

Q3. Are you currently registered to vote?

- Yes..... 1
- No (skip to Q5)..... 2
- Don't Know..... 3

Q4. Have you ever voted in an election?

- Yes..... 1
- No..... 2

Q5. What is your party affiliation?

- Republican..... 1
- Democrat..... 2
- Independent..... 3
- Other..... 4
- Unsure..... 5
- None..... 6

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Q6. Which category best describes your age?

- 18-25..... 1
- 26-30..... 2
- 31-35..... 3
- 36-40..... 4
- 41-45..... 5
- 46-50..... 6
- 51-55..... 7
- 56-60..... 8
- 61-65..... 9
- 66-70..... 10
- 71-75..... 11
- 76-80..... 12
- 80+..... 13

Q7. What language do you usually speak at home? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?

- Only Spanish*..... 1
- More Spanish than English*... 2
- Both equally*..... 3
- More English than Spanish*... 4
- Only English*..... 5

Q8. Which of the following best describes the area where you live:

- Urban*..... 1
- Suburban*..... 2
- Rural*..... 3

Q9. Which one of the following best describes your work situation - are you employed, retired/disabled, unemployed, a student, or a homemaker?

- Employed*..... 1
- Retired/Disabled*..... 2
- Unemployed*..... 3
- Student*..... 4
- Homemaker*..... 5
- Don't Know /Not Sure*..... 6

Q10. [IF EMPLOYED] Could you tell me what you do for a living? [WRITE-IN]

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Q11. Which of the following categories best describes your total household income?

- Under \$10,000*..... 1
- \$10,001-\$20,000*..... 2
- \$20,001-\$30,000*..... 3
- \$30,001-\$40,000*..... 4
- \$40,001-\$50,000*..... 5
- \$50,001-\$60,000*..... 6
- \$60,001-\$75,000*..... 7
- \$75,001-\$100,000*..... 8
- Over \$100,000*..... 9
- [vol] Don't Know/Refused*..... 10

Q12. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

- High school or less*..... 1
- Some college*..... 2
- College graduate*..... 3
- Postgraduate*..... 4
- Don't Know*..... 5

Q13. Were you born in the United States or another country?

- Born in the United States*..... 1
- Born outside of the United States*..... 2

Q14. Were either of your parents born in another country, or were both your parents born in the United States?

- Both parents born in the United States*..... 1
- At least one parent born outside of the United States* 2
- Don't know*..... 3

Q15. In the 2020 Presidential Election, did you vote for:

- Did not vote*..... 1
- Donald Trump*..... 2
- Joe Biden*..... 3
- Someone else*..... 4
- Don't remember*..... 5

THANK YOU!

CUESTIONARIO DE ADMISIÓN

Nombre (Nombre y Inicial del Apellido): _____

Q1. Género

- Mujer*..... 1
Hombre..... 2
Otro..... 3

Q2. ¿Cuál es su ascendencia nacional además de estadounidense?

- Mexicano*..... 1
Puertorriqueño..... 2
Salvadoreño..... 3
Cubano..... 4
Venezolano..... 5
Guatemalteco..... 6
Hondureño..... 7
Nicaragüense..... 8
Colombiano..... 9
Otro Caribe..... 10
Otro Centroamericano..... 11
Otro Suramericano..... 12
Otro Hispanic/Latino..... 13

Especifique _____

- Otro* 14

Especifique _____

Q3. ¿Está actualmente registrado para votar?

- Sí*..... 1
No 2
No sé..... 3

Q4. ¿Alguna vez ha votado en unas elecciones?

- Sí*..... 1
No..... 2

Q5. ¿Cuál es su afiliación partidaria?

- Republicano*..... 1
Demócrata..... 2
Independiente o otra..... 3
Inseguro..... 4
Ninguno..... 5

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Q6. ¿Qué categoría describe mejor su edad?

- 18-25..... 1
- 26-30..... 2
- 31-35..... 3
- 36-40..... 4
- 41-45..... 5
- 46-50..... 6
- 51-55..... 7
- 56-60..... 8
- 61-65..... 9
- 66-70..... 10
- 71-75..... 11
- 76-80..... 12
- 80+..... 13

Q7. ¿Qué idioma sueles hablar en casa? ¿Solo español, más español que inglés, ambos por igual, más inglés que español, o solo inglés?

- Solo español*..... 1
- Más español que inglés*..... 2
- Ambos por igual*..... 3
- Más inglés que español*..... 4
- Solo inglés*..... 5

Q8.Cuál de los siguientes describe mejor el área donde vive:

- Urbano*..... 1
- Suburbano*..... 2
- Rural*..... 3

Q9. ¿Cuál de los siguientes describe mejor su situación laboral: está empleado, jubilado/discapacitado, desempleado, estudiante o ama de casa?

- Empleado*..... 1
- Jubilado/discapacitado*..... 2
- Desempleado*..... 3
- Estudiante*..... 4
- Ama de casa*..... 5
- No sé /Inseguro* 6

Q10. [SI EMPLEADO] ¿Podría decirme a qué se dedica? [ESCRIBE]

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Q11. ¿Cuál de las siguientes categorías describe mejor los ingresos totales de su hogar?

- Menos de \$10,000*..... 1
- \$10,001-\$20,000*..... 2
- \$20,001-\$30,000*..... 3
- \$30,001-\$40,000*..... 4
- \$40,001-\$50,000*..... 5
- \$50,001-\$60,000*..... 6
- \$60,001-\$75,000*..... 7
- \$75,001-\$100,000*..... 8
- Más de \$100,000*..... 9
- No sé/Rechazo*..... 10

Q12. ¿Cuál es el último año de estudios que ha completado?

- Secundaria o menos*..... 1
- Un poco de universidad*..... 2
- Graduado universitario* 3
- Posgrado*..... 4
- No sé*..... 5

Q13. ¿Naciste en los Estados Unidos o en otro país?

- Nací en los Estados Unidos*..... 1
- Nací fuera de los Estados Unidos*..... 2

Q14. ¿Alguno de sus padres nació en otro país, o ambos padres nacieron en los Estados Unidos?

- Ambos padres nacieron en los Estados Unidos*..... 1
- Al menos uno de mis padres nació fuera de los Estados Unidos* 2
- No sé* 3

Q 15. En las elecciones presidenciales de 2020, votó por:

- No voté*..... 1
- Donald Trump*..... 2
- Joe Biden*..... 3
- Alguien más*..... 4
- No recuerdo*..... 5

¡Gracias!