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Set 2: saddam, hussein, osama, bin, laden, destruct, weapon, mass

Set 3: health, insur, care, cost, cover, afford, obamacar, premium

Set 4: senior, medicar, prescript, drug, lower, current, compani, price

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AL GORE Its just clear you can go to the website and look. If you make more than \$25, 000 a year you dont get a penny of help under the Bush prescription drug proposal for at least four to five years, and then youre pushed into a Medicare — into an HMO or insurance company plan, and theres no limit on the premiums or the deductibles or any of the conditions. And the insurance companies say it wont work and they wont offer these plans.

MODERATOR Let me ask you both this and well move on on the subject. As a practical matter, both of you want to bring prescription drugs to seniors, correct?

AL GORE Correct.

GEORGE W. BUSH Correct.

AL GORE The difference is I want to bring it to 100% and he wants to bring it to 5%.

GEORGE W. BUSH Thats totally false for him to stand up here and say that. Let me make sure the seniors hear me loud and clear. They have had their chance to get something done. Im going to work with Democrats and Republicans to reform the system. All seniors will be covered, all poor seniors will have their prescription drugs paid for, and in the meantime, well have a plan to help poor seniors and in the meantime it could be one year or two years.

AL GORE Let me call your attention to the key word there. He said all poor seniors.

GEORGE W. BUSH Wait a minute. All seniors are covered under prescription drugs in my plan.

AL GORE In the first year?

GEORGE W. BUSH If we can get it done in the first year, you bet. Yours is phased in in eight years.

AL GORE Its a two- phase plan. For the first four years — it takes a year to pass it and for the first four years only the poor are covered. Middle class seniors like George McKinney and his wife are not covered for four to five years.