

WHAT YANG SAID

Democratic Presidential Debate, Dec 2019

Question	What Yang said	Key principles
How do you get more people to support impeachment?	What have to stop being obsessed over impeachment, and start solving the problems that got Trump elected in the first place . We have to present a new positive vision, a new way forward to help beat him in 2020.	Focus on the disease, not the symptom.
What do you say to voters who are happy with the economy?	GDP and corporate profits are at record highs. Also at record highs? Depression, financial insecurity, even suicides and drug overdoses. It has gotten so bad that our life expectancy as a country has declined for the last 3 years.	Measure the right things (see the "American Scorecard" policy).
Can we fight climate change without using nuclear energy?	Other countries have had success with nuclear power. Thorium is not radioactive the way uranium is. It doesn't last as long, and you can't make a weapon out of it. If we're going to innovate our way out of this, then we have to have nuclear on the table.	Look at the data. In a crisis, put all options on the table.
You are the only candidate of color on the stage. What does that say to voters of color?	It's both an honor and disappointment to be the lone candidate of color on the stage tonight. Fewer than 5% of Americans donate to political campaigns. You know what you need to donate? Disposable income! I guarantee, if we had a freedom dividend of \$1,000 a month, I would not be the only candidate of color on this stage.	Put resources into the hands of everyday Americans.
How would you help people with disabilities integrate into the workforce?	We say to employers, Hey, this special needs person can be a contributor in your workplace. Which may be correct, but that's not the point! We have to stop confusing economic value and human value. We have to be able to say, You have intrinsic value because you are a human being.	Treat people as humans, not workers. Humanity first.
<p>Closing statement:</p> <p>I spent 7 years helping create thousands of jobs, serving as an ambassador of entrepreneurship under President Obama. I saw firsthand what many of you already know: Our country is falling apart.</p> <p>Our senior citizens are working until the day they die. Our kids are addicted to smartphones or drugs. We're seeing record-high levels of depression, suicides, and overdoses. Our companies are recording record profits while our people are literally dying younger.</p> <p>Our way of life is changing faster than ever, and the simple fact is this: Our politicians in D.C. succeed whether we the people succeed or fail. We need to get the money out of D.C. and into your hands, the hands of the American people. Join us at yang2020.com and help us rewrite the rules of the 21st century economy to work for us.</p>		