Weekly Current Events: Posted: 10.21.2019

[Melinda Deslatte, Dems Hold on to Louisiana Governor’s Seat,” Associated Press, 11.17.19.](https://apnews.com/ecad2990a83b4d84af821ba6cbdb7d91)

1. What is unique about this recent gubernatorial election and its result?
2. How did the Democratic incumbent candidate differ from most leading Democrats?
3. Does this election victory in Louisiana suggest Republicans cannot win the state in the 2020 presidential election? Why or why not?
4. What kind of efforts did the Republican party put forth in this race and why were they not so effective?

[Kristine Phillips, “Roger Stone Found Guilty,” *USA Today*, 11.15.19.](https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/politics/2019/11/15/roger-stone-jurors-deliver-verdict-trump-ally-trial-over-wikileaks/4187429002/)

1. Who is Roger Stone and why was he on trial?
2. What crime(s) did he commit?
3. What is a “gag order” and why do you think the judge ordered one in this case?
4. How many Trump campaign associates have now been convicted since Trump took office?
5. Name on convicted criminal and the crime committed.

[Elizabeth Chuck, “Why Myles Garrett’s Attack Won’t likely bring Criminal Charges,” NBC.com, 11.16.19.](https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/why-myles-garrett-s-helmet-attack-likely-won-t-result-n1083186)

1. What took place in the Browns-Steelers game last Thursday and why might it be criminal?
2. What is the “assumption of risk” doctrine and why is it at play in sports?
3. When assaults take place in sports why do judges often defer to the leagues to handle these disputes?
4. What action/factors in this recent game may cause it to reach a criminal threshold?
5. Do you believe Garrett should be charged? Why or why not?