

United States Government & Politics

Weekly Current Events: Posted: 1.30.23

Braver, "Life and Times of LBJ," CBS Sunday Morning (YouTube 7:38 min.)

- 1. What kind of upbringing did President Lyndon Baines Johnson (LBJ) have?
- 2. What was LBJ's wife's name and what was her influence?
- 3. What position in the Senate did LBJ hold in the late 1950s?
- 4. What was LBJ's experience as President Kennedy's Vice President?
- 5. What helped him get so many laws passed/things done as president?
- 6. How would you characterize his legislative legacy?
- 7. What role did the Vietnam War play in Johnson's legacy?

Durbin, "Senators Grill Ticketmaster ... Swift Fiasco," Associated Press, 1.24.23.

- 1. Which committee questioned the Ticketmaster Company and why?
- 2. What percent of the large-venue ticket sales go through Ticketmaster's hands?
- 3. What the average percent of a ticket price that goes toward fees?
- 4. What has Ticketmaster done in the past to counter "bots" and their ticket sales?
- 5. What's an additional issue Senators were concerned about regarding ticket sales?
- 6. How does the national concern for monopoly play into this?

Allison, Ronna McDaniel wins RNC Race," Politico 1.29.23 (F-Word Warning)

- 1. Who were the three candidates for the Republican National Committee's chair?
- 2. Who won?
- 3. What is unique about McDaniel or her time as RNC Chair already?
- 4. What was the numeric vote in this election?
- 5. Do you believe the party will be fractured after this? Why or why not?
- 6. Who is Charlie Kirk and what was his role in this?
- 7. To what degree did Trump or his people get involved in this contest?
- 8. Who else attended the event that might run for GOP presidential nominee?