




GOP Debate in South Carolina Turns Ugly for Frontrunners in the Campaign

Key Takeaways from the CBS GOP Primary Debate on February 13th

Key Takeaway	Background
 <p><i>Candidates got into heated arguments and some candidates engaged in shouting matches</i></p>	<p>Jeb Bush and Donald Trump got in several arguments over Former President George W. Bush. Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio argued over illegal immigration policies. Even the audience and Trump got into it after the audience booed Trump, and he claimed the people booing him were donors to the Bush campaign.</p>
 <p><i>John Kasich stayed out of the arguments and continued to cast himself as the “positive pragmatic alternative”</i></p>	<p>Following his second-place finish in New Hampshire, Kasich’s involvement in the debate was mild compared to the interactions between Trump, Rubio, Cruz and Bush.</p>
 <p><i>Ben Carson continues to struggle to gain attention during the debates</i></p>	<p>Carson remained neither a target nor an instigator in the debate, which caused him to have minimal airtime.</p>

Sources: Gemma Garner, “Mental Health,” Noun Project; Joshua Stearns, “Hide Preview,” Noun Project; Shai Rilov, “Conversation,” Noun Project; Cooper Allen and Paul Singer, “Top Takeaways from the South Carolina GOP Debate,” USA TODAY, February 14, 2016.