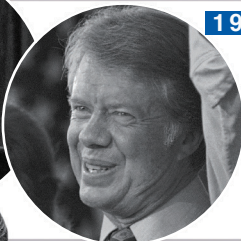


Goofs and gaffes in presidential debates

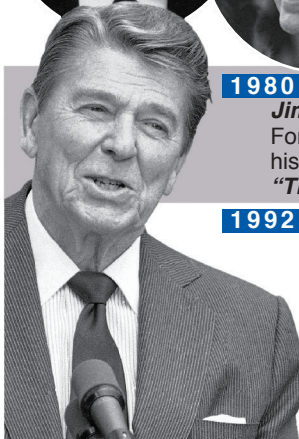
President Barack Obama and Republican rival Mitt Romney will battle in three presidential debates on prime time television starting Wednesday



1960 *John F Kennedy (right)* and *Richard Nixon* square off in first televised presidential debate in U.S. history. Bid to hide Nixon's **5 o'clock shadow** under Lazy Shave makeup results in Nixon looking sweaty. **JFK goes on to win election**

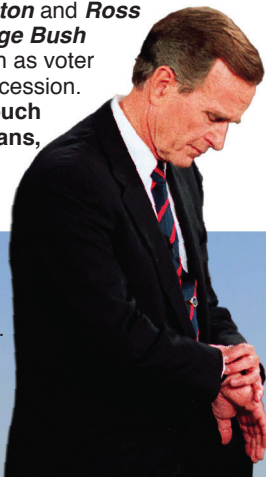


1976 *President Gerald Ford (far left)* stumbles in his opening debate against *Jimmy Carter* when he proclaims: **"There is no Soviet domination of Eastern Europe"** – insisting Poland, Romania and Yugoslavia are free from Soviet tyranny. **Carter goes on to win White House**



1980 During debate with *Ronald Reagan (left)*, *Jimmy Carter* attacks Reagan's record on Medicare. Former actor Reagan turns to his opponent, cocks his head and utters perfectly timed reply: **"There you go again"**. **Reagan wins presidency**

1992 Debating with *Bill Clinton* and *Ross Perot*, President *George Bush (right)* checks his watch as voter asks question about recession. **Bush seems out of touch with ordinary Americans, while Clinton shows empathy. Clinton wins presidency**



2000 *Al Gore (left)* seems to patronize Republican opponent *George W. Bush*, breaking into exaggerated sighs and eye-rolling. **Bush becomes president**

2008 *John McCain* wanders around set while *Barack Obama* takes questions – refers to Obama as **"that one"**. **Obama wins**