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It may sound counterintuitive to be having a conversation but there are some issues that just don't have two sides. Nobody is in favor of tornadoes, or cancer, or against pizza – maybe pineapple on pizza, but not pizza itself. #velshi

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There are, in fact, things that we can all agree upon. Unanimously. Or at least within a very VERY small margin of error. What led to the second impeachment of the former president is one of those things that doesn't have two sides. #velshi

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There are many who claim to be against the 2nd impeachment but, when you examine those claims, they are political, or maybe even constitutional when considering impeaching a president whose no longer in office. #velshi

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On the specifics of what happened on January 6th, there's no debate. Exactly 2 weeks before we inaugurated a duly elected president – a fact determined not just by 50 secretaries of state but by MORE than 50 courts of law - a violent mob ransacked Congress. #velshi

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The mob attacked the building itself, and then members of the mob went in search of its occupants. A mob that, by admission of many who actually participated, & have since been arrested, was doing what it did because the former President motivated them to do it. #velshi

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The murderous mob didn't spontaneously appear. Nor did it randomly decide to enter the Capitol. There was a plan, or at least a lot of preparation, all of it fomented by years of attacks on facts & truth, ending with two months of election lies & hysteria. #velshi

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If you doubt the former president's total influence, consider this: according to the media-intelligence company Zignal Labs, in the days AFTER his ban from Twitter, disinformation about the 2020 election fell by 73%. #velshi

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Words are powerful and a President’s words carry the power to move financial markets and start wars, so it’s not a surprise that so many were willing do what they did on that now infamous January day. #velshi

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The charge is of inciting an insurrection is on video. The former president delivered a speech telling his supporters that he’d never give up, that election was stolen, & that his VP and Congress should reject march to The Capitol & “Fight Like Hell”. #velshi

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You’ll hear a lot about how this impeachment is dividing the country and about what the Constitution does or doesn’t say but, in the end, we all – no matter your political persuasion - know what happened on January 6th. #velshi

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If you think there are two sides to the story, chances are you’re eating a pineapple topped pizza right now in the middle of a tornado. #velshi