



State of the Union (SOTU) Bingo

Check your Bingo cards!

Green indicates that the president used a particular word or phrase or that the listed person was mentioned or shown on television during the State of the Union address.

Red means that the word or phrase was not used or that the person listed was not mentioned or shown on television.

The endnotes on page two indicate in what context, if any, the phrase was used or the person was shown.

As you will see below, Bingo Card #1 (diagonally) and Bingo Card #3 (horizontally) got bingo.

A complete transcript of the State of the Union address is available at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/remarks-president-state-union-address>.

SOTU BINGO Card #1

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| Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) ⁱ | Small Business ⁱⁱ | Massachusetts ⁱⁱⁱ | Arne Duncan ^{iv} | Afghanistan ^v |
| Economy ^{vi} | Jobs ^{vii} | Oil ^{viii} | “Let me be clear...” ^{ix} | Wall Street ^x |
| Achievement Gap ^{xi} | Standards ^{xii} | FREE | Competitive ^{xiii} | College ^{xiv} |
| High School ^{xv} | Terrorist ^{xvi} | Deficit ^{xvii} | Haiti ^{xviii} | Renewable Energy ^{xix} |
| Foreclosures ^{xx} | Dropout ^{xxi} | Race to the Top ^{xxii} | Read and Write | Health Care ^{xxiii} |

SOTU BINGO Card #2

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| Dropout | Terrorist | Deficit | Middle Class ^{xxiv} | “Reauthorize ESEA” ^{xxv} |
| High School | Race to the Top | Haiti | Massachusetts | Main Street ^{xxvi} |
| Iraq ^{xxvii} | Small Business | FREE | Houston ^{xxviii} | Oil |
| Renewable Energy | Jobs | Foreclosures | College | Economy |
| Competitive | Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) | Health Care | Arne Duncan | Standards |

SOTU BINGO Card #3

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| Race to the Top | Wall Street | Dropout | Standards | Economy |
| Arne Duncan | Health Care | Main Street | Jobs | Foreclosures |
| Haiti | Competitive | FREE | Iraq | Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) |
| “Reauthorize ESEA” | Massachusetts | Middle Class | Small Business | High School |
| Deficit | Oil | College | Renewable Energy | Bioluminescent Bacteria ^{xxix} |

Endnotes

ⁱ President Obama mentioned the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, saying, “In the 21st century, the best anti-poverty program around is a world-class education. And in this country, the success of our children cannot depend more on where they live than on their potential. When we renew the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, we will work with Congress to expand these reforms to all 50 states.”

ⁱⁱ “Talk to the small business in Phoenix that will triple its workforce because of the Recovery Act.”

ⁱⁱⁱ President Obama did not say Massachusetts.

^{iv} U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan was shown on television when the camera panned across members of President Obama’s Cabinet.

^v President Obama mentioned Afghanistan three times during the speech, including when he said, “And in Afghanistan, we’re increasing our troops and training Afghan security forces so they can begin to take the lead in July of 2011 and our troops can begin to come home.”

^{vi} President Obama referred to the economy fifteen times during the speech.

^{vii} President Obama mentioned jobs twenty-three times.

^{viii} “To help working families, we’ll extend our middle-class tax cuts. But at a time of record deficits, we will not continue tax cuts for oil companies, for investment fund managers, and for those making over \$250,000 a year.”

^{ix} President Obama did not say, “Let me be clear” during the speech.

^x President Obama referred to Wall Street four times, including when he said, “For these Americans and so many others, change has not come fast enough. Some are frustrated; some are angry. They don’t understand why it seems like bad behavior on Wall Street is rewarded, but hard work on Main Street isn’t, or why Washington has been unable or unwilling to solve any of our problems.”

^{xi} President Obama did not say achievement gap during the speech.

^{xii} President Obama did not say standards.

^{xiii} President Obama mentioned competitive during the speech, although it was not within the context of education. “The approach we’ve taken would protect every American from the worst practices of the insurance industry. It would give small businesses and uninsured Americans a chance to choose an affordable health care plan in a competitive market.”

^{xiv} President Obama said “college” six times during the speech.

^{xv} “In this economy, a high school diploma no longer guarantees a good job.”

^{xvi} President Obama did not say “terrorist,” although he said “terrorists” twice.

^{xvii} President Obama said “deficit” ten times during the speech.

^{xviii} President Obama mentioned Haiti two times, including when he said, “That’s why, as we meet here tonight, over 10,000 Americans are working with many nations to help the people of Haiti recover and rebuild.”

^{xix} President Obama did not say “renewable energy,” although he did say “clean energy” five times.

^{xx} President Obama did not mention foreclosures during the speech.

^{xxi} President Obama did not say dropout.

^{xxii} President Obama did not mention Race to the Top directly, but he did refer to it in his speech, saying, “Now, this year—this year, we’ve broken through the stalemate between left and right by launching a national competition to improve our schools.”

^{xxiii} President Obama mentioned health care seven times during the speech.

^{xxiv} “Now, the price of college tuition is just one of the burdens facing the middle class. That’s why last year I asked Vice President Biden to chair a task force on middle-class families.”

^{xxv} President Obama did not say “Reauthorize ESEA,” although he did say “When we renew the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.”

^{xxvi} “For these Americans and so many others, change has not come fast enough. Some are frustrated; some are angry. They don’t understand why it seems like bad behavior on Wall Street is rewarded, but hard work on Main Street isn’t, or why Washington has been unable or unwilling to solve any of our problems.”

^{xxvii} President Obama mentioned Iraq six times during the speech.

^{xxviii} President Obama did not say “Houston.” However, one of First Lady Michelle Obama’s guests was a [high school senior from Houston who was a finalist for the Intel Science Talent Search Award](#).

^{xxix} President Obama did not say “Bioluminescent Bacteria.” However, one of First Lady Michelle Obama’s guests was a [high school senior from Houston who was a finalist for the Intel Science Talent Search Award](#) for her research paper on “The Use of Bioluminescent Bacteria to Detect Environmental Contaminants.” The paper details how living organisms that give off light can be used as sensors to detect contaminants in water.