2019 Toastmasters International Convention-Themed Table Topics®

1. This year’s Golden Gavel recipient is speaker, entrepreneur, and ‘rejection therapy’ expert Jia Jiang, who discovered that rejection can be much less painful than we believe. Tell us how you experienced rejection in the past. How do you envision yourself handling it today?

2. If you could attend convention anywhere, where would you most like to go, and why?

3. Denver is home to this year’s convention. What first comes to mind when you think of this city? Is it a place you’d like to visit, live, or neither, and why?

4. Denver is known as “The Mile-High City.” If you were a city, what would you be known as?

5. This year’s Ralph C. Smedley Memorial Fund® activity is a World Headquarters tour, rich in Toastmasters history. If you could speak to Ralph C. Smedley today, what would you most want to say to him or ask him?

6. The Toastmasters Board of Directors meets every year at convention. If you could propose one idea, what would it be?

7. If you were a mentor for a semifinalist in the International Speech Contest, what are the top three speech tips you would pass on, and why?

8. Describe the most memorable contest speech you heard? What made it so memorable?

9. Are you more comfortable giving prepared speeches or impromptu speeches, and why? Which type is your favorite to listen to, and why?

10. How has a Toastmasters convention affected you? What aspect of going to or watching a convention is most valuable to you, and why?