

The Art of Public Speaking



What is a debate?

A debate is a kind of contest where you must support your argument and refute your opponent's argument with logical reasoning and rebuttals by giving facts and evidence.



In order to support you argument, you may have to make statements which are against your own opinion.



It is best never to agree with the opposite side until after the debate!



The Rules:

The chairperson will start the debate by summarizing the situation at heart. This is followed by:

1. a 3-minute constructive speech from each side
2. two or three 2-minute rebuttals from each side turn by turn
3. a 3-minute concluding speech from each side
4. questions from the floor - the audience can address questions to both sides after the debate.

Try to use every available argument.

Today's Topics

- Marijuana legalization
- Contemporary art
- Euthanasia