

Graded Debate:

In our next class you will be “for” or “against” a topic that you will debate. You will be evaluated on your preparation (research, vocabulary and debate language), your use of the grammar and on your active participation in a debate.

You are now a group with the other country/countries that agree with your side of the topic. For each group (for or against) you must prepare:

- a hook/short intro to begin (1 minute)
- one argument per person with examples, facts, statistics to support it (1 minute each)
- a strong concluding statement (1 minute)

Please come to class with an outline with your hook, argument, researched facts, examples and your conclusion. Make sure to think of what your opponents might say so that you have facts or examples to counter them. Your outline should be **written on paper**. You cannot read your notes during the debate but you can look at them.

Debate format:

“For” gives their opening statement/hook (1 minute)

“For” Argument 1 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“For” Argument 2 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“For” Argument 3 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“Against” gives their opening statement/hook (1 minute)

“Against” Argument 1 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“Against” Argument 2 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“Against” Argument 3 (1 minute) Spontaneous debate between “For” and “Against” (3 mins)

“For” gives concluding statement (1 min) “Against” gives concluding statement (1 min)

Debate Topics:

Governments should regulate social media more strictly.

For: Turkey (Othmane), China (Ahmed)

Against: USA (Georges), Canada (Ayman), Sweden (Kaouthar)

Artificial intelligence will improve society more than it harms it.

For: Japan (Yasmine), South Korea (Ghassen)

Against: India (Mehdi), Mexico (Molka), UAE (Baptiste)

Countries should invest more in renewable energy than in fossil fuels.

For: Germany (Yassin), France (Louis), Poland (Rachel)

Against: Nigeria (Nawfel), Saudi Arabia (Tilal)

Protecting the environment is more important than economic growth.

For: Brazil (Aya), Australia (Djony)

Against: Indonesia (Ghofrane), Egypt (Badis)