

The basics of this modified Lincoln-Douglas debate:

A resolution is stated, such as:

Violent video games should be restricted to adults only, like alcohol and tobacco.

1. Prep (5 minutes), plus 1 minute between each exchange
2. First affirmative constructive (3 min., Team 1a) – Introduction, state your new arguments that support the resolution, in tag-team format (or about 1 minute each), support those arguments with evidence and rational, reasonable discourse, conclusion.
3. Cross examination of AFF1 (One question from each team member, captain only answers, untimed, Team 2a) – Directly questions those arguments. Captain responds from AFF.
4. First negative constructive (3 min., Team 2b) – Introduction of position, state arguments, supported with evidence, reasonable, rational discourse, conclusion.
5. Cross examination of NEG1 (One question from each team member, captain only answers, untimed, Team 1b) – Directly questions those arguments. Captain responds from NEG.
6. First AFF rebuttal (3 min., Team 1a) – Respond to the arguments of the other side, and continue to argue your case, including adding evidence. But you cannot introduce new arguments of support here.
7. NEG rebuttal (6 min., Team 2 a&b) – Respond to the arguments of the other side, and continue to argue your case, including adding evidence. But you cannot introduce new arguments of support here.
8. AFF rebuttal (3 min., Team 1b) – Respond to the arguments of the other side, and continue to argue your case, including adding evidence. But you cannot introduce new arguments of support here.
9. Judging and comments (5 min.). Judge captain tallies scores and pronounces winner. Judges each give a comment on their scoring.

Three members on each team. Two teams per side. Tag-team format, slap hands to switch speakers. The rest of the class are judges, using provided rubric. **Five extra credit points** given to the captain of the winning side.

Picking the players

The teams for this topic: _____

AFF- Captain: _____

AFF- 1A asst: _____

AFF- 1A asst: _____

AFF- 1B asst: _____

AFF- 1B asst: _____

AFF- 1B asst: _____

NEG- Captain: _____

NEG- 2A asst: _____

NEG- 2A asst: _____

NEG- 2B asst: _____

NEG- 2B asst: _____

NEG- 2B asst: _____

Judge captain: _____

Judge: _____

Judge: _____

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Judge: _____