

Debate structure template

| Step | Time | Teacher actions | Student actions |
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| Introduction | 5 min | Present topic, background info | Listen, ask clarifying questions |
| Role prep | 8 min | Hand out role cards & argument builder | Prepare arguments |
| Opening statements | 5 min | Moderate | Present statements (1 min each) |
| Rebuttals | 10 min | Moderate discussion | Respond to other teams |
| Open floor | 5 min | Ensure fairness | Ask & answer questions |
| Vote | 2 min | Collect votes | Vote for strongest argument |
| Reflection | 5 min | Guide discussion | Reflect & link to science |