

CC1: Debate

Performance due date: October 21-25, 2019

Class: S9, Engineering

You will participate in a debate with your classmates on one of the set debate motions. You will be assigned a team (proposition or opposition) and you will be expected to prepare a four-minute speech presenting your argument on the topic. In addition, you will be expected to ask and answer questions during the debate.

The motions are:

- Debate motion 1: Morocco should change from French to English as a language of education and commerce.
- Debate motion 2: Bilingualism is detrimental to children's learning.
- Debate motion 3: Capitalism is inherently unfair.

Your participation in the debate will be assessed and recorded as your CC1 grade. You will be graded on your preparation and oral speaking skills.

Step by Step:

- 1. <u>Formulate your argument.</u> You should do this with your team members to make sure that you are not repeating the same argument as the others.
- 2. <u>Research your argument.</u> Research your own texts. Make sure your arguments are well-grounded with evidence.
- 3. <u>Write your speech.</u> Write out (at least in outline form) your four-minute speech. You may also want to include some refutation of the other team's main arguments.
- 4. <u>Practice your delivery.</u> Practice delivering your short speech. Make sure you can speak for four minutes and that you feel comfortable in your delivery.

The Structure of the Debate (Please note this will change depending on class size)

- Introduction by debate chair (1 minute)
- First speaker for the proposition (4 minutes)
- First speaker for the opposition (4 minutes)
- Second speaker for the proposition (4 minutes)
- Second speaker for the opposition (4 minutes)
- Questions from the audience (4 minutes)
- Rebuttals/ open debate (4 minutes)
- Third speaker for the proposition (4 minutes)
- Third speaker for the opposition (4 minutes)
- Fourth speaker for the opposition (4 minutes)
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- Questions from the audience (4 minutes)
- Rebuttals/ open debate (4 minutes)