

Debate Rubric

Your candidate must debate the following topics against the other candidates in front of the class:

1. The tariff
2. Trust Regulation
3. Dollar Diplomacy

CATEGORY	4	3	2	1
Information	All information presented in the debate was clear, accurate and thorough.	Most information presented in the debate was clear, accurate and thorough.	Most information presented in the debate was clear and accurate, but was not usually thorough.	Information had several inaccuracies OR was usually not clear.
Rebuttal	All counter-arguments were accurate, relevant and strong.	Most counter-arguments were accurate, relevant, and strong.	Most counter-arguments were accurate and relevant, but several were weak.	Counter-arguments were not accurate and/or relevant
Use of Facts/Statistics	Every major point was well supported with several relevant facts, statistics and/or examples.	Every major point was adequately supported with relevant facts, statistics and/or examples.	Every major point was supported with facts, statistics and/or examples, but the relevance of some was questionable.	Every point was not supported.
Presentation Style	Candidate consistently used gestures, eye contact, tone of voice and a level of enthusiasm in a way that kept the attention of the audience. Candidate accurately presented the views of their character.	Candidate usually used gestures, eye contact, tone of voice and a level of enthusiasm in a way that kept the attention of the audience. Candidate accurately presented the views of their character.	Candidate sometimes used gestures, eye contact, tone of voice and a level of enthusiasm in a way that kept the attention of the audience. Candidate inconsistently presented the views of their character.	Candidate had a presentation style that did not keep the attention of the audience. Candidate did not accurately present the views of their character.
Understanding of Topic	The candidate clearly understood the topic in-depth and presented their information forcefully and convincingly.	The candidate clearly understood the topic in-depth and presented their information with ease.	The candidate seemed to understand the main points of the topic and presented those with ease.	The candidate did not show an adequate understanding of the topic.