

INSTRUCTIONS

- Fill out the blanks before the debate begins, and check pronunciation of speakers' names if you aren't sure.
- Only say the words in **bold**, and do not say the words in square brackets: *[eg do not say these words]*.

Good evening and welcome to the _____ round of the Queensland Debating Union competition.

Tonight's topic is _____.

Debaters will speak for 8 minutes. There will be a single bell at 1 minute indicating that points of information may be offered. There will be a warning bell at 7 minutes marking the end of points of information, a double bell at 8 minutes marking the end of the speaker's time, and an overtime triple bell every 30 seconds after that.

[Only say this in Senior A, not Grade 11 or 12: Reply speeches will be given in reverse order, with a warning bell at 3 minutes, a double bell at 4 minutes, and a triple bell at 4 minutes and 15 seconds.]

On the affirmative, representing _____ *[name of school]* are:

_____ *[first speaker's name];*

_____ *[second speaker's name];*

and _____ *[third speaker's name].*

On the negative, representing _____ *[name of school]* are:

_____ *[first speaker's name];*

_____ *[second speaker's name];*

and _____ *[third speaker's name].*

Tonight's adjudicator is _____ *[name is written on the door sign]*.

Before we begin, I remind everyone that taking photographs, video or audio recordings of **any part of any debate is strictly prohibited**. If a person breaks this rule, their team forfeits the debate at the discretion of the QDU Schools Vice-President.

[Always wait for the adjudicator's signal before calling each speaker or calling for the adjudication.]

I now call upon the first speaker for the affirmative team.

I now call upon the first speaker for the negative team.

I now call upon the second speaker for the affirmative team.

I now call upon the second speaker for the negative team.

I now call upon the third speaker for the affirmative team.

I now call upon the third speaker for the negative team.

[Only say this in Senior A, not Grade 11 or 12: I now call upon the negative reply speaker.

I now call upon the affirmative reply speaker.]

[Wait for the adjudicator's signal before calling for the adjudication.]

I now call upon the adjudicator, _____ *[adjudicator's name]*.

To deliver their adjudication of tonight's debate.

[When the adjudicator has finished their adjudication.]

That concludes tonight's debate. I would like to remind everyone that the QDU values your feedback on adjudicators, and especially positive feedback. This can be done via the QR CODE on the door sign or on the information board as you leave the venue. To remain COVID safe can I please ask all spectators to immediately leave the room and not hang around in the corridors so the venue can get things sanitised and reset.

Thank you for your attendance. I now declare this debate closed.