



Make notes under each of the headings. These will help you structure a strong argument. You can refer to these notes when presenting your argument.

INTRODUCTION Introduce yourself, say which topic you are debating, and state your **position** (this is whether you are for or against the topic of debate)

The topic of debate:

My team's position:

REBUTTALS Unless you are the first person to speak, this is the point at which you can acknowledge arguments made by the opposing team and provide **rebuttals** (give reasons why their arguments were wrong).

ARGUMENTS Each **argument** you are presenting should have a name, an explanation, and evidence.

Name of argument (3 words or less)			
Explanation (why is it true and how does it back up your position?)			
Evidence (facts, examples, images, quotes to support your explanation)			

CONCLUSION Remind the audience of the names of your arguments and try to end with a strong final **statement** in support of your position.