

Debate 101

Debate.lol is an app where you can debate the best speakers in the world on any topic of your choosing, powered by AI.



You begin by entering a topic and choosing your opponent, who will be powered by gpt3.5 and brought to life by 11labs

💡 Let's argue about:

Humanity needs a colony on Mars

🗨️ Proponent

Visitor

Barack Obama

Donald Trump

Elon Musk

Taylor Swift

Bill Gates

Emma Watson

Steve Jobs

🔥 Opponent

Visitor

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Start


Then you will have to provide a speech to defend your viewpoint.
Bear in mind, this won't be easy - taking some notes on paper
beforehand is recommended.

Humanity needs a colony on Mars


- 0:00 **Presenter** / Welcome to Debate LOL - a place where you can debate the best speakers in the world on any topic of your choosing. Today's topic is "Humanity needs a colony on Mars". The supporting speech is given by Elon Musk. The rebuttal speech is given by Vlad. Elon Musk will now take the floor. 0:17
- 0:09 **Elon Musk** / Ladies and gentlemen, as Elon Musk, a visionary entrepreneur leading SpaceX, I strongly advocate for a colony on Mars. Our survival as a species depends on expanding our horizons beyond Earth's limitations. Mars offers the potential for a sustainable and independent civilization, shielding us from extinction. With my experience in aerospace engineering, I firmly believe that by establishing a Mars colony, we accelerate technological advancements, making human life multi-planetary. By stepping foot on Mars, we ignite curiosity and inspire the next generation of explorers. Let us embark on this astronomical journey together, for the future of humanity lies beyond our planet's boundaries. 0:44
- 0:00 **Presenter** / Thank you Elon. Vlad now has the floor. 0:02


 Let me tell you why


In the end, both speeches will be judged by AI and given critique of how speeches can be improved. The judge doesn't know which speech is human and which is AI.

Humanity needs a colony on Mars
Elon Musk vs Vlad
9 : 7
0:00 

← “The rebuttal speech starts off weak ... arguments lack cohesion ...” and I lose to Elon Musk yet again.

Apple Mouse is a great product
Steve Jobs vs Vlad
9 : 7
0:00 

Universal basic income is a good idea
Barack Obama vs Donald Trump
9 : 7
0:00 

Twitter is great
Elon Musk vs Taras
8 : 8
0:00 

← You can check out speeches from fellow debaters in the Hall of Fame

Inspiration

Debate 101 takes inspiration from clubs like Toastmasters, where people gather to improve their public speaking skills. There are millions of people in various public speaking clubs or courses.



One can think of Debate 101 as Toastmasters on the go. Improving public speaking is one of the most popular coaching asks.

Team

Debate.lol was built by Igor and me (Vlad) over the past weekend. We are both competitive programmers and have competed in numerous competitions as teammates.



Vlad has had a great career in top companies and startups in California, while Igor is a successful solo entrepreneur, most recently with crypto.

← Igor is the rightmost and Vlad is the second from the left. At Google Hash Code finals in Dublin.

Future Plans

- The best target audience for an app like that is someone who's already putting effort to improve public speaking, so targeting people from public speaking clubs makes the most sense
- The free plan would have to be text only, as running Whisper on CPU (or mobile device) and some LLM is fairly cheap. For a paid plan you get all of functionality including amazing voiceovers from 11labs.

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- An excellent bit of extra functionality would be evaluating the quality of speech itself - clubs like “Toastmasters” have a dedicated person counting um-s and eh-s during the speech.
- Debating with the likes of Obama or Jobs on a topic you pick makes for a fun and engaging experience, and the first few users found the app exciting (and challenging!)

Thank you, and give us a try at debate.lol - you won't be disappointed :)

