



World Style Chairpersons/Timekeepers Script

Before the debate begins, write the resolution on the blackboard in your room and have the debaters write their names on the blackboard. Ensure that you have an odd (1, 3, 5 or 7) number of judges and that each judge has a ballot. When the debate is ready to begin, after the PA announcement) close the door and say this:

On behalf of _____, I welcome you to Round _____ of the _____ Tournament.

The resolution for debate is This House:

(the teams will give you the resolution)

Representing the affirmative team are _____, _____ and _____

Representing the negative team are _____, _____ and _____

I am pleased to welcome our judges for today's contest. They are:

- ❖ I will now introduce the first speaker of the affirmative team: _____, who will speak for 8 minutes. Points of information will not be allowed in the first and the last minute of the speech. I will clap my hand at the end of the first minute and clap it again when there is one minute left.
- ❖ I will now introduce the first speaker of the negative team: _____, who will speak for 8 minutes. Points of information will be not allowed in the first and the last minute of the speech. I will clap my hand at the end of the first minute and clap it again when there is one minute left.
- ❖ I will now introduce the second speaker of the affirmative team: _____, who will speak for 8 minutes. Points of information will not be allowed in the first and the last minute of the speech. I will clap my hand at the end of the first minute and clap it again when there is one minute left.
- ❖ I will now introduce the second speaker of the negative team: _____, who will speak for 8 minutes. Points of information will not be allowed in the first and the last minute of the speech. I will clap my hand at the end of the first minute and clap it again when there is one minute left.
- ❖ I will now introduce the Third speaker of the affirmative team: _____, who will speak for 8 minutes. Point of information will not be allowed in the first and the last

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- ❖ I will now introduce the Third speaker of the negative team: _____ , who will speak for 8 minutes. Point of information will not be allowed in the first and the last minute of the speech. I will clap my hand at the end of the first minute and clap it again when there is one minute left.

We will now have a 2 minutes break for the Speakers to prepare their Reply Speeches.

- ❖ I will now introduce the first or second speaker of the negative team who will give the negative rebuttal for 4 minutes. Points of information will not be allowed.
- ❖ I will now introduce the first speaker or second speaker of the affirmative team who will give the affirmative rebuttal for 4 minutes. Points of information will not be allowed.

After this speech:

Wait for the judges to complete their scoring of the debate. As each judge finishes, collect his/her score sheet. When you have collected all of the score sheets, check to see which team won the debate and if you are allowed to announce then do the following!

When you are certain which team won, stand at the front of the room and say:

- ❖ It is the considered decision of our judges that this debate has been won by the _____ (Affirmative or Negative)
- ❖ I would now invite our judges to make their **VERY BRIEF** comments on this debate.

*After their comments, take the ballots to the _____
Then return to the room and prepare for the next debate.*