

Structured Debate - Code of Conduct

1. Communication in large groups requires more listening than speaking.
2. Ensure you understand the discussion question being asked and refer to it when necessary.
3. One speaker at a time. Do Not speak AT or OVER one another.
4. Seek to understand by summarizing what has been said and build your point from there in order to be understood.
5. Argue facts, address ideas - not people.
6. Once you've spoken, you must wait four exchanges before speaking again (it can be painful, we know).
7. Arguments should be crafted to persuade.
8. Acknowledge common ground!