

SPEECH 133

Argumentation

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Final Debate and Paper Assignment Guide

Objective

Demonstrate effective argumentation in a debate and an argumentative paper

Task: FINAL DEBATE

This requirement expects you to follow the rules of the Asian Parliamentary debate format in presenting your arguments on the given issue.

Procedure

1. The class will be divided into 3 groups with 3 members.
2. Each group will face off on a round of debate following the Asian Parliamentary format.
3. The speaker responsibilities, debate rules, and specific time limits will follow the Asian Parliamentary format.
4. The debate propositions will be given a week before the debate date.
5. There will be a synch session on Week 14 (Nov 28) to review the AP debate format.

For reference, watch an AP Style debate here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y3YvgChmLVg&t=0s> (check the video's description box for the rest of the speeches).

Schedule

The final debate will be on **WEEK 16** (between Dec 12-16) during class hours or another schedule agreed upon by the class.

Assessment

The final debate will be graded 100 points, with the breakdown below:

Manner - Style - 30 points

Confidence

Tone of Voice: Pace, Pitch, & Pause

*Body Language: Posture, Eye Contact,
Hand Gestures*

Energy Level

Matter - Content - 40 points

Backup / Support to Argument

Validity of Argument

Level of Analysis / Understanding

Method - Strategy - 30 points

Timing

Structure / Signposting

P.O.I (Taken & Received)

Teamwork

Task: FINAL PAPER

This requirement expects you to apply the Toulmin model in writing an argumentative paper on the given issue.

Procedure

1. Using the proposition and position (opponent or advocate) you were assigned in the final debate, write a short argumentative paper.
2. The paper should make use of the Toulmin model wherein the main point will be supported by claims, warrants, and grounds. No need to mention these terminologies; just present the actual scenario/information. To support your main argument (the proposition), you need to have at least 2 claims with at least 2 grounds (or proofs) per claim.
3. Make use of at least 3 sources (online news articles are acceptable).
4. The paper should be 3 full to 4 pages long excluding the references.

Submission

- Submission will be at the designated drop box in our Google Drive folder on or before 11:59 PM, Friday of Week 17 (Dec 23).

Assessment

The paper will be graded 100 points, with the breakdown below:

Content – 60 points

Development of main points using the Toulmin model, which should present the claims, warrants, and grounds

Organization – 15 points

Clear arrangement of arguments sustained across smoothly transitioned paragraphs; with introduction and conclusion

Language – 15 points

Grammar usage and mechanics, word use and spelling, sentence formation

Format – 10 points

Use of APA citation and prescribed paper formats