

Grindsville Debate Discord Server: *(removed bc idk if I'm allowed to share it-)*

Description: A debate discord server for high school debaters in the EST timezone. It's an active community with regular casual debate rounds, and high school Canadian debate tournaments are often advertised here.

Debate Database: <https://debatedata.io/>



Description: A high comprehensive database of every single english motion ever debated in the parliamentary style. Use this to find motions for spars, or read through the arguments provided for ideas.

Major Canadian Tournaments Schedule: <http://www.cusid.ca/schools-schedule/>

Description: Every major Canadian secondary school debate tournament is listed here.






Beginner Friendly Resources:

Description: Comprehensive resources below. These are the bare bones essentials.

- BP Debate Format: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kgvx7Z7dR9U>
- Bp Debate Format (basic):  Intro to BP
- BP Debate Format (more detailed):  2024 HST Briefing Slides (slides 1-12)
- WSDC Debate Format:
https://www.wsdcdebating.org/files/ugd/669183_386b543d92354cdea1d1814223fcd400.pdf
- How to Improve: <https://youtu.be/1f8JWKd2xBY?si=oIHBMPkbGF2YAsLP>

Resource Compilations:





Description: Resource compilations by reputable debate organisations from all over the world. Includes everything to know about debate, from beginner seminars, to recorded debate rounds at the highest level.

- https://www.wsdcdebating.org/files/ugd/669183_816a455e41084e7e8fae71f96030eae7.pdf - best wsdc complete support package
-  Debate File - (personal favourite)
- <https://www.seeddebate.ca/case-documents> - (second fave- very concise!)
- <https://www.wsdcdebating.org/about-9>
-  Debate Resources Compilation
-  Debating Resource List
-  Debate Learning Materials
-  CUSID Debaters Masterfile v.1.0

- <https://sites.google.com/site/rhhsdebate/resources/2020-lessons?authuser=0>




Debater Briefing Slides:

Description: Tournaments will provide a briefing to explain how debaters will be judged, how housekeeping will work, etc. Policies may vary from tournament to tournament.






- https://www.wsdcdebating.org/files/ugd/669183_a90d369ae2cb4adc9227b65cb3fd624a.pdf
-  Queen's WSDC 2023 Debater's Briefing
- Waterloo 2024 HST:  2024 HST Briefing Slides
-  2022 Western Fall HST Debater Briefing.pptx
-  Western WSDC 2023 Debater's Briefing

Equity Briefing Slides:

Description: Some topics are not up for debate! Here are some slides on how to be a not horrible person in debate.

-  2023 Winter HST Tournament Equity Briefing
-  Queens Holiday Open 2023 Equity Policy.docx
-  Western WSDC 2024 Equity Briefing





Judging Resources:

- https://www.wsdcdebating.org/files/ugd/669183_386b543d92354cdea1d1814223fcd400.pdf
- <https://scales.imperialdebating.org/chair.html>
- <https://scales.imperialdebating.org/speaker.html>
-  Speaker Scores
-  Tejas's Attempt at a BP-WSDC Conversion
-  Western WSDC 2024 Judge Briefing.mp4
-  Tejas Subramaniam - Judging BP vs WSDC Tips
-  Western Fall HST 2023 Judge Briefing.pptx



Debate Tournament Template: <https://discord.new/ST5RB49xmPfn>

Debate Terminology/Slang/Jargon:

-  Debate Slang/Terminology/Jargon - **work in progress**

-  BP Terms and Phrases 2023.pdf
-  Jargon sheet
-  Debater's Glossary
-  Debate Jargon/Slang

Miscellaneous Resources:

- <https://www.youtube.com/@RumenMarinov652/videos> - world renowned debater Rumen Marinov's debate coaching channel.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YFeEXhliOR8&list=PLdk7ZVs2HpVxMGlax2WffkxGpQO6q5wWL> - Rumen's playlist for beginners.
-  Burdens of Proof by Hadar Goldberg - a good seminar I liked.
-  Thessaloniki WUDC 2016 - Finals | Open Final - one of the most famous WUDC debates ever
- <https://bingobaker.com/#66d9027fe651d9a6> - my fave activity as a spectator :P

personal tips from me! (the guy who made this google doc)

1. Debate is just more formal arguing. Sharpening your rhetoric and making sure your argument makes sense matters way more than knowing the debate meta or being familiar with debate jargon.
2. Build your spec. A knowledgeable lay person will do far better than an ill-informed debate veteran. Subscribe to a newsletter (I use morning brew), read the Atlantic, listen to video essays, read books, etc.
3. Join a debate community. Spar. Start taking debate courses. Practice makes perfect, and debate is no exception! Especially debate tournaments, which allow you to reflect between rounds, while your mistakes are still fresh in your mind.