

# State your opinion about a proposal

Step 1: Read the proposal

Step 2: Rephrase the main ideas in the proposal in your own words: \_\_\_\_\_

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Step 3: Decide where you stand. Pick one of these three:

- **I agree** with this proposal
- **I disagree** with this proposal
- **I am not sure yet if I agree or disagree**

Step 4: Why do you agree or disagree with this proposal? Give reasons drawing on your knowledge, values, and experiences.

- 1)
- 2)
- 3)

Step 5: GET READY TO SHARE YOUR IDEAS WITH THE CLASS!

Useful phrases you can use when SHARING YOUR OWN OPINION:

- I agree or disagree with this resolution/bill because...
- I think that... or I don't think that... because...
- I believe that... or I don't believe that... because...
- I am not yet sure what I think, on one hand..... but I can also see that....
- In my experience,... because...

Useful phrases you can use when RESPONDING TO ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE:

- I agree/disagree with my colleague because...
- One point that is not clear to me is...
- Can you please clarify/explain... (Use this one when you have a question about something that was said by another student)
- I see the point that my colleague made but what about...