

Discussion Questions

Debate

Student A

1. Have you ever participated in a debate competition?
2. Can you give me a debate example?
3. What do you think is the most debated question?
4. Can you think of any topics that should get debated more seriously?
5. What are controversial opinions? Explain, please.
6. Do you have family members who turn conversations into debates?
7. Do you think politicians debate too much and do too little?
8. Are you good at “reading” other people?
9. The number of public holidays that countries have is often debated. Do you have enough public holidays in your country?
10. It's often said that tourism is not good for the environment. Your opinion on this.

Student B

1. Do you prefer to participate in or listen to a debate?
2. What are the skills needed in a debate?
3. Can you name a few steps for preparing a debate with a class?
4. Controversial issues are often used as debate topics i.e. animal testing. Do you think the debate should continue, or should issues like animal testing just get banned everywhere in the world?
5. Do you have friends who participate in debate competitions?
6. Do you like friendly debates with family members or friends?
7. Have you ever listened to a funny/interesting debate?
8. Can you think of any current, big debates in your country?
9. “There is not enough affordable housing in the world”, is another big debate. What is your opinion on this issue?
10. Should schools provide a free, healthy lunch?