

### **Follow-Up Activity: Debate Evaluation and Self-Reflection**

After the debate, answer the following questions to evaluate your own performance and those of your team and the opposing team:

1. Which team were you on, pro or con?
2. In your opinion, which team won the debate? Which team made the more compelling argument?
3. What specifically made you come to that conclusion?
4. What were the strengths/weaknesses of your team's presentation today? Consider the following: team organization and preparedness; good examples and reasoning used to prove each point; strong counterarguments.
5. What were the strengths/weaknesses of the opposing team's presentation? Consider the following: team organization and preparedness; good examples and reasoning used to prove each point; strong counterarguments. What advice would you give them?
6. What were your own strengths and weaknesses as an individual?
7. What did you learn from the debate?
8. What, if anything, would you change about the debate structure for next time?

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