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Chairperson's Sheet : Senior Debates

Chairperson, Thank you for chairing this debate, you simply need to fill in the blanks, read the text and follow the directions in italics.

On behalf of _____ (name of host school) welcome to this debate which is part of the Western Australian Debating League's 2006 Schools' Debating Competition.

The teams debating tonight are _____ and _____

The affirmative will be taken by _____

First speaker : _____

Second speaker : _____

Third speaker : _____

The negative will be taken by _____

First speaker : _____

Second speaker: _____

Third speaker: _____

The topic for tonight's debate is _____

Debaters will speak for 7 minutes with a warning bell being sounded at 1 minute and 6 minutes and a double bell being sounded at 7 minutes.

Between the first and sixth minute members of the opposing team may stand and offer points of information, which the speaker may either accept or decline.

At the completion of the substantive speeches, reply speeches will be given by each team, first by the negative team and then the affirmative team.

There will be no points of information during the reply speeches. The reply speeches will be of 3 minutes duration with a warning bell at 2 minutes and a double bell at 3 minutes.

The reply speaker for the negative team will be _____

The reply speaker for the affirmative team will be _____

At the conclusion of the debate the adjudicator will provide a general adjudication and will then be available to discuss the debate with individual speakers. Parents and teachers are asked to refrain from approaching the adjudicator until the speakers' questions have been answered.

The adjudicator of tonight's debate is _____

When the adjudicator indicates that s/he is ready continue:

Please make welcome the first speaker of the affirmative team to open his/her team's case.

After the speaker sits down the adjudicator needs some time to write his/her notes so during the debate do not introduce the next speaker until the adjudicator indicates, that s/he is ready

The first negative speaker _____ will open his/her team's case.

The second affirmative speaker _____ will continue his/her team's case.

The second negative speaker _____ will continue his/her team's case.

The third affirmative speaker _____ will conclude his/her team's case.

The third negative speaker _____ will conclude his/her team's case.

_____ will now deliver the negative reply speech.

_____ will now deliver the affirmative reply speech.

While the adjudicator is finalising his/her decision, questions may be addressed to either team through the Chairperson.

When the adjudicator Indicates that s/he is ready

The adjudicator will now deliver his/her decision.

After the result is announced

A representative of _____ (losing team) will now give a vote of thanks.

A representative of _____ (winning team) will now give a vote of thanks.

I thank you all for attending this debate and declare the debate closed.