

Creative discussion



– Instruction –

Game objective

The game objective is to practice arguing a given point of view. This ability helps students express their opinion and support it, including in writing - essays.

What you need

Two dice

Topic Stripes

The list of expressions

Rules of the game

1. Before playing the game, print, cut out the Topic Stripes and prepare the dice.
2. Divide the players into two teams.
3. Put the Topic Stripes on the table face down.

4. Each team chooses its own leader, whose task will be counting points scored by the team.
5. Each team has its own dice.
6. Leaders roll the dice, the team with the highest number starts the game.
7. The first player draws one Topic Stripe and reads it out and shows it to the others.
8. Then he/she rolls the dice. The number on the dice determines the expression that should be used to argue your opinion. Each team has its own set of expressions (look below).

Team I

-  I'd probably agree on that...
-  I totally share this point of view...
-  It might be true, however...
-  I totally disagree...
-  Undoubtedly you're right, but...
-  You're absolutely right...

Team II

-  That's what I think...
-  Yes, but wouldn't you say that...
-  I'm of different opinion...
-  I couldn't agree more...
-  That's what I would say
-  I see what you mean, but...

9. After presenting one argument by the first team, the player from the second team gives a counterargument. The exchange of views lasts until the teams have no more proper arguments.
10. The team that gives the last argument gets as many points as the rolled number.
11. Then the player from the second team draws one Topic Stripe, reads it out, rolls the dice and gives the first argument in the discussion.
12. The game goes on the same way until all the Topic Stripes are used.
13. The team with the highest number of points wins.
14. We can also set, at the beginning of the game, the number of points that the team must collect to win. The team that is the first to accumulate a certain number of points (e.g. 60 points) - wins.