

Classroom Debate Kit + Refutation Rubric

1. Debate Motion Cards

- Books are better than movies.
- Online classes are more effective than face-to-face classes.
- Homework should be banned.
- Using smartphones in class is helpful.
- Artificial Intelligence is a threat to education.
- Fast food should be banned in schools.

2. Note-taking Template

Claim	Reasons / Evidence	Refutation Notes
Smartphones should be banned.	They distract students from lessons.	Rules can minimize distraction; smartphones can be learning tools.

3. Refutation Rubric

Criteria	Excellent (3)	Good (2)	Needs Improvement (1)
Echo (Restating Opponent's Point)	Clearly and accurately restates the opponent's argument.	Restates partially or with some inaccuracy.	Fails to restate or misrepresents the argument.
Weak Point Identification	Identifies a clear weakness in the opponent's reasoning.	Identifies some weakness, but not clearly explained.	Fails to identify a relevant weakness.
Response with Evidence	Provides a logical and well-supported counter-argument.	Provides a counter-argument with limited evidence.	Provides little or no evidence in response.
Politeness / Tone	Polite and respectful throughout.	Generally polite but may slip occasionally.	Rude, dismissive, or inappropriate language.