

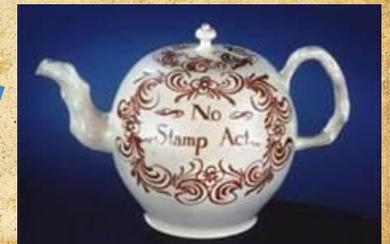
# *Read, Write, Create, Debate!*



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# The Road to Revolution

- **1763** -The Proclamation of 1763
- **1764** -The Sugar Act
- **1765** -The Stamp Act
- **1766** -The Declaratory Act
- **1767** -The Townshend Act
- **1768** -British troops arrive in Boston
- **1770** -The Boston Massacre
- **1773** -The Tea Act -The Boston Tea Party
- **1774** -The Intolerable Acts
- **1775** -Shots fired at Lexington and Concord



# Who's on What Side?

- 1/3 Loyal to the King (**Loyalists or Lobster Backs**)
- 1/3 Wanted to break from England (**Patriots or Continental Soldiers**)
- 1/3 Undecided



# What is a Debate?

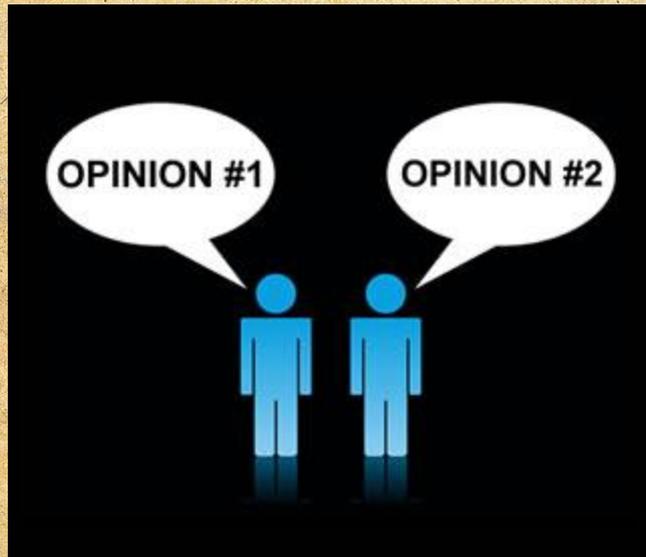
Two opposing parties make speeches to support their arguments and to disagree with those of the other side.



# Key Debate Terms

## Resolution

The opinion that you are arguing for.



## Rebuttal

- An explanation (backed up with facts) stating why one team disagrees with another team.



# Tips for Debating

- **Do your research**
- Use facts, statistics and expert opinions
- **Don't overuse any one strategy**
- Prioritize and sequence facts by importance
- **Use anecdotes and famous quotes**
- Repeat or paraphrase key ideas
- **Stick to the subject**



# More Debate Tips

- **Use strong convincing formal language**
- Pay attention to spelling and grammar
- **Speak with passion**
- Don't sound patronizing or condescending
- **Use appropriate body language and don't get drawn into attacks**
- Be prepared for the rebuttal
- **Persuade your audience!**



# Patriot Ideas



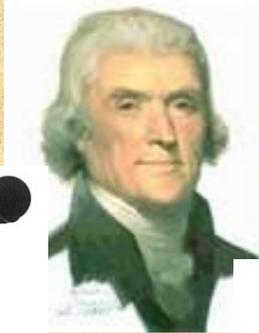
- Taxation without representation
- Self-governance
- The Colonists are paying off England's debt
- The Quartering Act
- The Boston Massacre
- England is making a profit
- God given rights
- King George is incompetent
- A monarchy is not a good system of government
- Sacrifice

# Loyalist Ideas



- We need a unified British Empire
- The French and Indian War Caused Debt
- You are still British subjects
- The colonies need British protection
- The colonies benefit financially
- Boycotts are affecting merchants
- Boston is out of control
- The common man is being manipulated

# Phrases to Use When Arguing



- To start with...
- Many people think...
- Allowing for the fact that...
- The reason why...
- When you consider that...
- For this reason...
- That's the reason why...



# Phrases to Use When Disagreeing

- I don't agree because...
- But what about...
- Frankly, I doubt...
- Shouldn't we consider...
- Don't you think it would be better if...
- Let's face it, the truth is...
- In my opinion...



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