

Debate Application

Debate in the News 2

Read the following two stories from the news. Can you think of the issue being debated? Write a resolution based on each story.

Unit 1. Have an Opinion

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ZURICH—The International Olympic Committee is beginning the final round of discussion for deciding the host of the 3rd Olympics of the new millennium. An Olympic official, who asked not to be named, said the main contenders are still Beijing, China; Cape Town, South Africa; and Toronto, Canada. The official said that competition between the three cities has been very intense, with each city insisting it is the best site. The Olympic committee is still not sure in which city the Games should be held.

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WASHINGTON DC—The American Red Cross announced yesterday that there is a dangerous shortage of blood in several hospitals throughout the nation. A spokesperson for the Red Cross said that more and more Americans have stopped giving blood. In particular, it seems that the number of high school and university students giving blood has declined. Compared with a decade ago, donations by young people are down by about 68%. The spokesperson said that giving blood was perfectly safe and not painful.

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