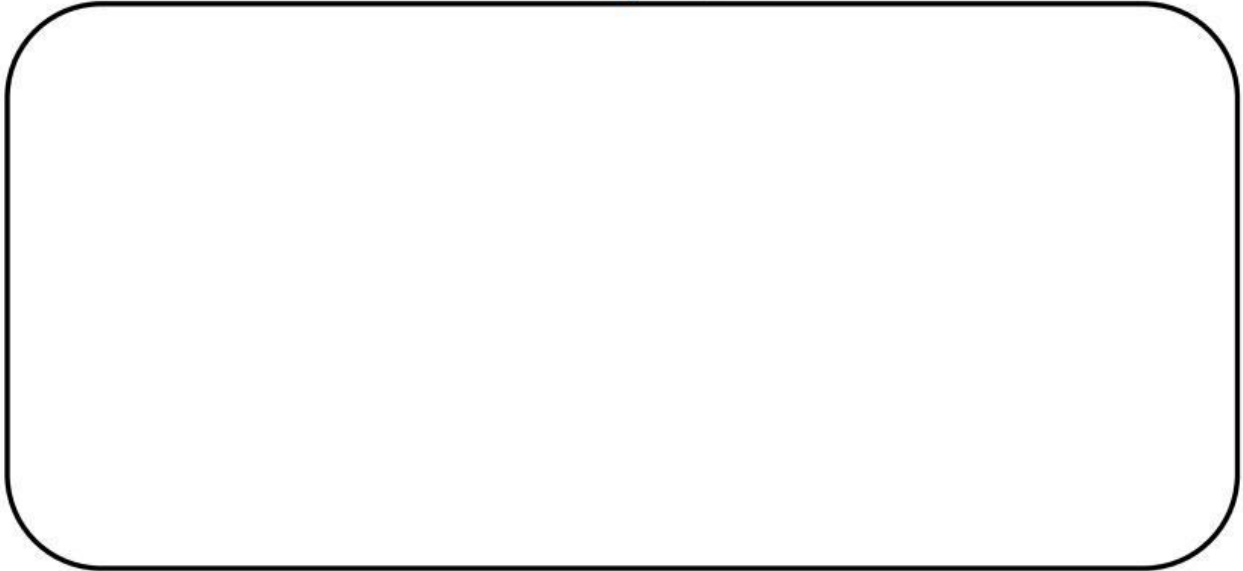


## What is a Debate?

**debate** = an argument with rules

Candidates for public office (ex. President) often debate so that voters can hear how they will solve issues (problems).

Watch this example of a debate.



**pro** = agree

**con** = disagree

What was the issue the 2 students were debating? \_\_\_\_\_

Which debater was pro the idea? \_\_\_\_\_

Which debater argued the con side? \_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, what were the three best reasons given by the pro debater?

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

In your opinion, what were the three best reasons given by the con debater?

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you pro or con this issue? \_\_\_\_ Why? Give two reasons: \_\_\_\_\_

Tell two rules the debaters followed in this argument:

- 1) \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_