*“Pretend that you are a citizen of Maycomb and you just read an article indicating whether or not Atticus Finch should defend Tom Robinson. On which side of the controversy would you be? Why would you be on that side?”*

**TEAMS: FOR DEFENDING TOM VS AGAINST DEFENDING TOM**

the first speaker on the affirmative team presents arguments in support of the resolution.

The first speaker on the opposing team presents arguments opposing the resolution.

The second speaker on the affirmative team presents further arguments in support of the resolution, identifies areas of conflict, and answers questions that may have been raised by the opposition speaker.

The second speaker on the opposing team presents further arguments against the resolution, identifies further areas of conflict, and answers questions that may have been

raised by the previous affirmative speaker.

The rules may include a short recess for teams to prepare their rebuttals.

The opposing team begins with the rebuttal, attempting to defend the opposing arguments

and to defeat the supporting arguments without adding any new information.

First rebuttal of the affirmative team

Each team gets a second rebuttal for closing statements with the affirmative team having the last opportunity to speak.

There cannot be any interruptions.