辯論比賽

For the past few weeks, we’ve been learning how to talk about school subjects. Now you get use this vocabulary in a debate to convince your classmates why your favorite subject is the best. We will use the “March Madness” format to crown the best debating team. You will form a team and choose your subject on a first come-first serve basis.

The format of the debate is as follows:

Team 1 – opening statement (1.5 minutes)

Team 2 – opening statement (1.5 minutes)

------ team consultation (1 minute)------

Team 2 – “cross ex” (2 minutes)

Team 1 – “cross ex” (2 minutes)

-------prep for final statements (2 minutes)

Team 1 – closing argument (will be handed in for a grade)

Team 2 – closing argument

Please consider the following when crafting your argument:

* Your task is to
  + give as many reasons as possible why your subject is the best
  + explain why the other subject is not as good
  + refute the arguments offered by the other team
* Your team will hand in the following things for a grade (opening statement, cross ex questions, notes for final statement)
* Topics you might cover: subject adjectival sentences, (cell phone policy (we can't use phones), food policy, classroom activities, “we often…..”)