



Convince me, Don't confuse me: Debating Skills Workshop

Course Code: LEA6111B
(Re-run of Apr 2010's workshop)

Date: 23, 28 & 29/12/2010

The Workshop aims to provide an opportunity for Hong Kong secondary students to learn and practise debating skills. Students who are interested to sharpen & demonstrate their debating skills are highly recommended to join.

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Objectives

The workshop aims to:

- ♦ train debating skills of students
- ♦ nurture creativity, logical and critical thinking skills of students
- ♦ enhance presentation and interpersonal skills, and team management ability of students
- ♦ cultivate students' interest in current issues.

Contents

- ♦ What is "Debate"? How to analysis topic? How to prepare your script?
- ♦ It's counterarguments, but not arguments, bring you closer to the trophy.
- ♦ Know ourselves and our ever-victorious
- ♦ R (Rebuttal) is followed by S (Speak out)
- ♦ Use of Idiom
- ♦ A good debater, is not only a good speaker
- ♦ "C+C": Communication and Co-operation
- ♦ My debating competition



Course Timetable

Session	Date (2010)	Time	Venue*
1	23 Dec (Thu)	9:30am – 12:30pm	E306, 3/F, East Block*
2		2:00pm – 5:00pm	
3	28 Dec (Tue)	9:30am – 12:30pm	W426, 4/F, West Block*
4		2:00pm – 5:00pm	
5	29 Dec (Wed)	9:30am – 12:30pm	W418, 4/F, West Block*
6		2:00pm – 5:00pm	

* Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong
(Exit E of Kowloon Tong Station)

Application Details

Quota	30 students
Language	Cantonese
Target participants	S1 to S7 Student members of HKAGE (priority will be given to student members in Leadership)
Course requirement	Certificate of Completion will be awarded to participants attended at least 5 sessions with satisfactory performance and attended the mock debating competition.
Application procedure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Interested students should download the Application Form from the HKAGE website: http://hkage.org.hk/en/sz_programmes.html?le=open and submit the completed Application Form to <i>The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education</i> by mail or by fax on or before 16 Dec 2010 (Thursday). (Fax number: 2490 4730)Application result is announced by email. Applicants who have not received email by 20 Dec 2010 (Monday) should contact the HKAGE by phone on 3698 3500. No further notification will be made.Successful applicants should complete a "Confirmation Slip" and fax to the Academy on or before 22 Dec 2010 (Wednesday).
Address of the HKAGE:	<i>The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education – Student Programmes and Services Division</i> E326, East Block, Kowloon Tong Education Services Centre, 19 Suffolk Road, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong
Enquiry	For enquiries, please contact Ms Ho at 3698 3504.