

CURRENT ISSUES AND DEBATES
PHILOSOPHICAL CHAIRS

Debate Topic A: _____

1. Debate Statement: _____
2. Your opinion of the topic. Do you agree or disagree with the statement? _____
3. Explain your reasons why (3-5 sentences): _____

4. The debate. What are the main summary arguments on both sides?
Agree: _____
Disagree: _____
5. What is the current law? _____
6. Your final opinion. Do you agree/disagree with the statement in #1? _____

Debate Topic B: _____

1. Debate Statement: _____
2. Your opinion of the topic. Do you agree or disagree with the statement? _____
3. Explain your reasons why (3-5 sentences): _____

4. The debate. What are the main summary arguments on both sides?
Agree: _____
Disagree: _____
5. What is the current law? _____
6. Your final opinion. Do you agree/disagree with the statement in #1? _____

Debate Topic C: _____

1. Debate Statement: _____
2. Your opinion of the topic. Do you agree or disagree with the statement? _____
3. Explain your reasons why (3-5 sentences): _____

4. The debate. What are the main summary arguments on both sides?
Agree: _____
Disagree: _____
5. What is the current law? _____
6. Your final opinion. Do you agree/disagree with the statement in #1? _____



YOUR OPINION...

1. Define “democracy” (you may use our class definition if you would like): _____

2. Give three examples from the above debates that make the U.S. seem like a **democracy**?

3. Give three examples from the above debates that make the U.S. **not** seem like a **democracy**?

4. Based on the new information you have heard during the new debate topics, do you still believe **America is a democracy**? Why or why not?

