

HOW TO DEBATE.

- Do not get angry.
- Be always teachable.
- Give positive arguments.
- Do not whine or find fault.
- Be brief, simple and direct.
- Keep cheerful and confident.
- Always go to the foundation.
- Be ready for every emergency.
- Learn how to make a contrast.
- Be confident, but not dogmatic.
- Do not quibble over trivialities.
- Illustrate from familiar experience.
- Keep a cool head but a warm heart.
- Avoid ornamentation and decoration.
- Avoid all prolixity or mere ingenuity.
- Command attention in your first phrase.
- Find the fundamental principle involved.
- Never declaim, but speak directly to men.
- If your opponent gets angry, laugh at him.
- Be clear, simple, and pointed, not oratoric.
- Put your first point so as to win attention.
- Appeal to the teachable spirit of your hearers.
- Look up thoroughly all aspects of each subject.
- Show a desire to learn more about the question.
- Co-operate with others who speak on your side.
- Find the truth and espouse it with all your heart.
- Cultivate penetration, and also flexibility of mind.
- State the question definitely to yourself and to others.
- Give your arguments clearly, simply, and forcibly.—Success.

