
CHAPTER CHECKLIST

- The primary role of the closing speaker is to provide a conclusion that proves her team has been most persuasive.
 - Both summation and reply speakers draw out themes that ran through the debate and use them to retrospectively demonstrate the strengths of their cases.
 - Closing speeches must: tidy up, show that the team has proved their case, and provide a framework for understanding the debate.
 - Summation and reply speakers can introduce either very little new evidence (for Affirmative summation speakers) or none at all (for all the rest).
 - Summation can be tackled by speaker or theme.
 - Reply speakers offer a biased adjudication to review and critique the debate.
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