
CHAPTER CHECKLIST

- Hard interaction—CX and POIs—plays an important strategic role in the debate.
 - The basic goal of CX and POIs is for a team to control the flow of the debate—even when they’re not speaking.
 - Hard interaction has two possible goals: getting the speaker to say something—provide information, clarify or commit to a point—and planting doubt in the mind of the adjudicator.
 - Keep questions brief and relevant to what is happening at that stage in the debate.
 - Have a purpose for every question.
 - Teams must work to tie cross-examination and rebuttal together.
 - Answering questions requires the debater to think carefully and avoid giving more information than is necessary.
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