

Project#1: Debate Topics (Section 0102)

Debate#1 (Teams A & B): *Geoengineering as a solution to weather/climate problems*

Team A (CON): *Geoengineering the atmosphere should be banned, similarly in the way chemical and nuclear weapons are banned.*

Team B (PRO): *Geoengineering should be used to force the atmosphere to behave in a way humans prefer.*

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Debate#2 (Teams C & D): *Extreme Weather Events more prevalent in modern times*

Team C (PRO): *Events of extreme weather are now occurring more frequently and this is a sign of global climate change*

Team D (CON): *Extreme weather of frequency comparable to today has always existed. We are in an era where we can record and monitor it better, so we are aware of more events.*

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Debate#3 (Teams E & F): Assume climate change is NOT due to human activity.

Team E (Reason): *Climate change is due to a naturally-occurring physical process – changes in Earth's albedo.*

Team F (Reason): *Climate change is due to a naturally-occurring process – shifts in the Earth's orbit.*