

Hamilton - Jefferson Debate

Controversial issue: Thomas Jefferson verses Alexander Hamilton - Which man has the best polices for the nation?

Topics: Hamilton supporters verses Jefferson supporters on:

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| 1. Popular rule | 9. Internal improvements |
| 2. Assumption of state debts | 10. Alien and Sedition Acts |
| 3. Law enforcement and undue force
(Whiskey Rebellion) | 11. National debt |
| 4. National Bank | 12. French Revolution |
| 5. States Rights | 13. Personality strengths |
| 6. Foreign alliances: France/England | 14. Protective tariff |
| 7. Constitutional interpretation | 15. Central government strength |
| 8. Slavery | 16. Urban industry/agriculture |

Roles:

Jefferson Roles:

1. Georgia small farmer
2. Virginia state banker
3. Revolutionary War vet.
4. Georgia moonshiner
5. South Carolina legislator
6. Charleston economist
7. U.S. ambassador to France
8. Republican
9. Richmond attorney
10. University of Virginia historian
11. Episcopal minister
12. Merchant marine captain
13. Hotel owner
14. Atlanta doctor
15. Republican party National chair
16. Cotton grower

Hamilton Roles:

1. New England aristocrat
2. B.U.S. official
3. State financial consultant
4. Government soldier
5. Rhode Island U.S. Senator
6. New York economist
7. U.S. ambassador to England
8. Federalist
9. Boston attorney
10. Harvard historian
11. Quaker
12. Textile factory owner
13. Land speculator
14. Philadelphia doctor
15. Federalist National chair
16. Factory owner

Dependents: slave, feminist, Indian, isolationist

Assignment: You will be assigned 3 topics to research and one role to play during the debate. In a 2 pg. essay, you will argue the viewpoint of the role you have been given as related to the three topics

assigned. Although your essay will be written in the 3rd person, you will present the viewpoint of your role in the 1st person during the debate. Your essay should also include a bibliography which cites the sources you have used to develop your role's opinion. You may quote the words of the men in your essay and in your debate.

Assessment: In both your essay and your debate, you will be evaluated on your ability to present your argument clear and concisely. You should be able to clearly state your opinion on the issue, present yourself as someone whose ideas are worth considering, and present arguments to support each reason you have provided.