

## Day 12 Discussion Script (Debating a speaker's ideas)

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**Leader:** What is the speaker's central question? Do you think our readers will find this question interesting? Why or why not?

What is the speaker's central claim? (His/her answer to the central question.) Do you find the speaker's reasons for believing this convincing? Why or why not?

Are there any other questions you have for the speaker? Anything else you'd like to know?

If you agree with the speaker, is there anything you would add?

If you disagree with the speaker, why?

*Some possible response templates (for audience members):*

The central question \_\_\_\_\_ is addressing is: \_\_\_\_\_?

I think our readers will/won't find this question interesting because \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ 's point is that \_\_\_\_\_.

I agree with \_\_\_\_\_ 's point that \_\_\_\_\_, and I would add that \_\_\_\_\_.

I think you really hit the nail on the head when you said \_\_\_\_\_.

I'd be curious to know, \_\_\_\_\_?

I'm not convinced. I would argue that \_\_\_\_\_.

I'm skeptical about \_\_\_\_\_. I question whether \_\_\_\_\_.

I disagree with \_\_\_\_\_ 's point that \_\_\_\_\_. In my experience, \_\_\_\_\_.

“ \_\_\_\_\_ ” \_\_\_\_\_ ... To my knowledge, \_\_\_\_\_.

I'm of two minds. It's true that \_\_\_\_\_. But on the other hand, \_\_\_\_\_.

*Some possible response templates (for speakers):*

I see your point. But I would argue that \_\_\_\_\_.

My point isn't that \_\_\_\_\_. What I'm saying is that \_\_\_\_\_.