

INFORMATION SHEET – for use with Round 1 topics

The information contained in the following articles is intended to ensure all teams enter Round 1 preparation with a base line of knowledge. We encourage all Debating TICs to share this information with coaches and debaters so that they might engage with the information in advance of the next debate. Our intention is:

- To ensure that all teams have a baseline knowledge when they enter debates.
- To allow students to build a body of knowledge for use in their points.
- To (hopefully) ease some nerves about unseen topics.

How to use this sheet

- **Junior debaters MAY bring a 1 page printout of information from the site provided. This may NOT be edited and there are to be NO ANNOTATIONS.**
- **Intermediate and Senior debaters are NOT to bring the information sheets into the room.**
- Topics will be based on this subject, but no team will know the specific topic until they enter short prep.
- All debaters should be familiar with the information on these sites. They are welcome to read beyond this, conducting their own wider reading.
- Use these websites as a starting point for conversations and team discussions.
- Try not to spend time ‘guessing’ the topic – rather this information is to ensure that debaters establish points from an informed position.

JUNIOR DIVISION

[Nearly Half of Disadvantaged Australian Schools Run Libraries on Less Than \\$1000 a Year](#)

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

[Volunteer ideas for high school students – The Uni of Qld](#)

SENIOR DIVISION

[Basic Online Safety Expectations | eSafety Commissioner](#)