

What are you drinking? Tap water versus bottled water

Tap water versus bottled water debate task sheet

Suggested parameters to consider: characteristics and safety of tap water, nutritional recommendations on daily water intake, cost comparison of tap and bottled water, importance of bottled water in some desert areas, plastic/microplastic pollution, presence of plastic in the food chain, pollution due to bottle transportation, contamination of bottled water if stored at high temperatures or in sunlight, and conservation rules after initial bottle opening or tapping.

Debate rules

- The speeches and speaking time are divided equally between the two teams, with two chairpersons controlling the proceedings.
- Each team has a chance to argue against points raised by the opposition.
- The team supporting the motion must not shift its point of view. The same goes for the opposition, which must oppose the motion completely (regardless of personal opinions).
- If a speaker makes a statement, they must be able to provide evidence or reasons to support the statement.
- Facts presented in the debate must be accurate.