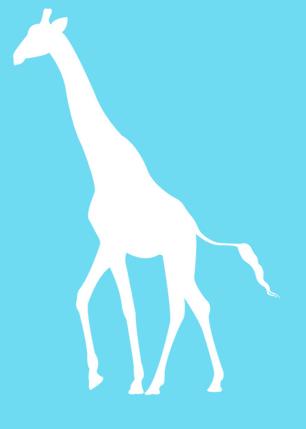


# Lincoln Douglas Debate: Making the Most of Rebuttals

## Make Life Easy on Yourself

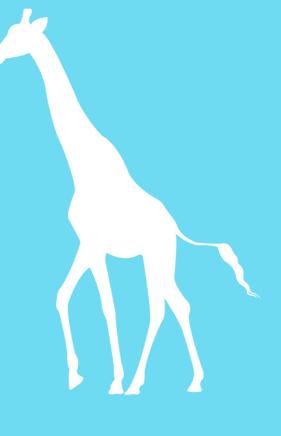
- Keep it Simple
- TIme Management
  - Short Speeches=Less room for error
  - Practice Budgeting
  - Example Budget
- Preparation
  - Most struggles in Rebuttals are a result of poor preperation
  - How to Prep
  - What to Prep





## There is Beauty in Simplicity

- Keep it Simple
  - o The best answer is the one that is easiest for the judge to apply
- You don't have to reinvent the wheel
  - Focus on logical progressions and connecting dots between other arguments
  - You probably already have the answer...
    - leverage your constructive evidence
- Crystallization
  - Make it a point to be the team that helps the judge understand how everything comes together
  - o If you can not do it simply then you might need to revisit your case.



## Stay on Budget!

- TIme Management
  - 90% of LD Rounds come down to Time Management Errors
  - Short Speeches=Less room for error



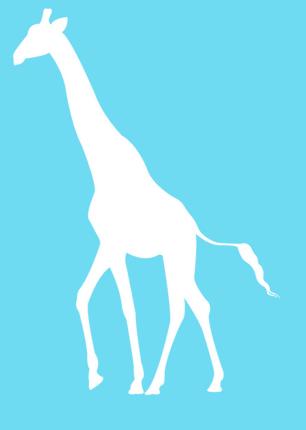
- Set up different time allocations for your student to work through
- Practice this skill especially for the 1AR.
- The amount of different permutations is not a lot...
- Example Budget



Negative Case		1NC 7 Mins	1AR 4 mins	Focus
1	V/C Block	1 MIn	30 Sec	Focus on Criterion Solvency
2	Contention 1	1.5 Mln	30 Sec	<ul> <li>Find a quick way to put offense on the contention</li> <li>Differentiate from the Aff case offense</li> </ul>
3	Contention 2	1.5 Mln	30 Sec	<ul> <li>Find a quick way to put offense on the contention</li> <li>Differentiate from the Aff case offense</li> </ul>
Affirmative Case		1NC	1AR	Focus
1	V/C Block	1 MIn	45 Sec	<ul> <li>Focus on any Offensive Positions</li> <li>Crystalize your Criterion Solvency</li> </ul>
2	Contention 1	1 MIn	45 Sec	<ul> <li>Ensure you are winning offense</li> <li>Pull back through your Critieron</li> </ul>
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## Be Prepared...

- Preparation
- Most struggles in Rebuttals are a result of poor preparation
  - Students that rely on skill will lose to students who are prepped
  - Skill should be used to connect the dots
- How to Prep
  - Break down each contention into different pieces
    - UQ-L-IL-I
      - A2 Non UQ-NO Link-Link Turn-No IL-NO I
      - Think out the answer to key arguments
- Time those down to manageable blocks 15-30 second blocks
  - Use those as currency in your time budget





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