

RESOLUTION:

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CATCHY INTRO. "Imagine..."

CONCESSION TO THE OPPOSITION: "Although _____
_____, (state position on resolution) *thesis* _____

"We, the _____ have three main contentions which support our position:

First, _____

Also, _____

Finally, _____

Contention 1: _____

Subpoint A: _____

Subpoint B: _____

Subpoint C: _____

Circle One:

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE

RESOLUTION:

Contention 2: _____

Subpoint A: _____

Subpoint B: _____

Subpoint C: _____

Contention 3: _____

Subpoint A: _____

Subpoint B: _____

Subpoint C: _____

CONCLUSION—Quickly tie back to thesis _____

It is for these reasons that we respectfully ask the judges to cast your ballot for the
_____. The _____
now stands open for cross-examination.”

Circle One:

AFFIRMATIVE

NEGATIVE