

Grade 8 Speech Topics

You should pick 3 topics and choose the one that you can establish the strongest opinion backed up by 3 relevant, well researched, supporting facts.

1. Humanity's greatest challenge is...
2. Music Lyrics should/should not be censored for violence and exploitation.
3. Cloning is/is not ethical.
4. Selling body parts is/is not ethical.
5. People should/should not be allowed to choose the gender of their children.
6. There is/is not too much violence in sports.
7. Media violence is/is not a problem.
8. Social network sites should/should not be banned.
9. Bullying is/is not a problem in today's society.
10. Violent children are becoming more of a problem in today's society.
11. Beauty pageants should/should not be banned.
12. Media is having a positive/negative impact on our lives.
13. Celebrities can/cannot change the world.
14. Hate crimes are a problem in today's society.
15. Technology has/has not increased learning.
16. Bilingual education should be given more importance in schools.
17. Character should/should not be taught in school.
18. There should/should not be year round schools.
19. Diets can/cannot be harmful.
20. Eating disorders are/are not a problem in today's society.
21. Global warming is/is not a threat.
22. Human embryo experimentation should/should not be illegal.
23. Video games are/are not having a negative impact on today's teens.
24. Fad/rapid weight loss diets are/are not harmful.
25. We need to do more to about garbage and recycling.
26. Alcohol and drug abuse is/is not a problem in today's society.
27. There should be more halfway houses in residential neighborhoods.
28. Child athletes are a positive/negative influence on today's children.
29. Child celebrities are a positive/negative influence on today's children.
30. Adoption policies are/are not fair.
31. Veterans do/ do not receive adequate health care.
32. We are too dependent on foreign oil.
33. We need to do more to protect society against guns and crime.
34. The National Gun Registry is/is not an effective program.
35. The "No Child Been Left Behind" has/has not been good for education.
36. Reality TV is ...
37. Senior citizens and driving needs to be examined more carefully.
38. Cameras should/should not be allowed in courtrooms.

39. Cameras should/should not be allowed in classrooms.
40. Drilling should/should not be permitted in the arctic national wildlife reserve.
41. _____ is responsible for environmental disasters.
42. Governments should/should not negotiate with terrorists.
43. Juveniles should/should not be tried as adults.
44. The drinking age should/should not be lowered.
45. The driving age should/should not be lowered.
46. The voting age should/should not be lowered.
47. Capital punishment does/does not deter crime.
48. Extreme sports is _____.
49. There should/should not be more policing on the internet.
50. College athletes should/should not be paid.
51. Canada should/should not move to electronic voting.
52. The world will/will not run out of fresh water.
53. We need to do more to stop child labor and sweatshops.
54. Advertising does/does not promote substance abuse.
55. Capital punishment is/is not ethical.
56. Prisons are/are not effective.
57. Gay and lesbian families are...
58. Gay marriage should be legalized everywhere.
59. We need to do more to prevent domestic violence.
60. We need to do more in the fight against Aids.
61. We need to do more to prevent the use of steroids in sports.
62. The use of modern medicine is/is not ethical.
63. We need to do more to control what we eat.
64. The rich are getting richer while the poor are getting poorer.
65. We should/should not use embryonic and adult stem cells.

66. QR: If you have another topic in mind, it must be approved by the teacher.