




Student Training, Teacher Training & Partnerships

"Debate Mate is a wonderful organisation which inspires children. The debating workshops and training programmes are first class."

- Sir Michael Wilshaw, Ofsted Chief Inspector of Schools



"A fantastic CPD session- interactive and imaginative. There were loads of ideas here that I can directly apply to my classroom and school. Looking forward to it!"
- Teacher, Manchester Islamic High School for Girls

Teacher Training

Debate Mate Teacher Training empowers teachers from across the curriculum to use debating in their classrooms. Debating teaches speaking and listening skills, critical and creative thinking, teamwork and leadership, while developing core confidence, resilience and empathy in students of all ages and abilities. Our interactive training provides teachers with the knowledge and resources to become champions of debating in their schools.

Half Day CPD

Led by expert trainers and debating coaches, our half day or twilight courses include:

- Practical activities to improve oracy in the curriculum and their applications across all subject areas
- How to set up and run a debating club, including judging and running a debating competition
- "Debating in Schools" handbook

Courses are held at central locations across the UK and cost £129 per delegate.

In House CPD

Debate Mate can deliver bespoke CPD at your school or to a cluster of schools held at a centralised venue. We offer full day, half day and twilight CPD, which can be tailored to suit your school's Teaching and Learning needs, and improvement strategies. All participants will receive the "Debating in Schools" handbook. Prices start from £1700 for up to 20 teachers.

Full Day CPD

Led by expert trainers and debating coaches, our full day teacher training includes:

- Practical strategies and resources to embed debating activities in the curriculum across all subject areas
- Comprehensive overview of debating, judging and setting up a debate club
- Planning and consultation to include debating in schemes of work
- Support in cascading CPD back into your school
- "Debating in Schools" handbook

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100% of teachers we trained in 2015-16 enjoyed the workshop and would recommend it to a friend.

Consultancy

Working in collaboration with school leadership, curriculum planning teams and teaching practitioners, Debate Mate can provide consultancy services to develop oracy, embed debating and improve Teaching and Learning. Debate Mate can collaborate with schools to develop schemes of work, provide advice on implementing effective oracy strategies and deliver team teaching across a range of subject areas.



Student Training

Debate Mate has trained over 5,000 students through our workshops in addition to over 15,000 in our core programme in the last 7 years. Our student training workshops are completely bespoke and led by our university student mentors who are experienced coaches and some of whom are world champion debaters. Our workshops can be tailored for beginner, intermediate or advanced debaters and have been successful across a wide range of abilities.

Sample Full-day 'Introduction to Debating':

- A show debate (for large training workshops)
- Introduction to making arguments and persuasive speeches
- Responding to arguments and quick thinking
- Speaking stylistically
- Roles in a debate, the format and judging
- Debate challenge followed by in-depth feedback and opportunities for self-reflection

All of our student training workshops can be tailored to fit your requirements and are for all ages from primary to sixth-form. We can work with as many students as you would like, from 15 students to an entire year group. Examples of student training workshops include:

- One-day or half-day workshops themed around subject areas or issues e.g. Shakespeare, Religious Studies, student council elections
- Workshops introducing students to debating
- Booster sessions for experienced debating clubs that want to prepare for a competition
- Oracy intervention days
- 10-week after school debating programme
- Behaviour intervention programmes
- Debate focused transition programmes for Years 6-7 and Years 11-12
- Team-building sessions
- University guidance and interview preparation

Prices start from £150 for a one-hour session and £400 for a full day.



88%

of students said they are better able to respond to and respectfully disagree with the ideas of others



83%

of students said they feel more comfortable speaking up in class



82%

of students said they take a more active role in the school community and the community in which they live



100%

of students said they enjoyed taking part in the Debate Mate sessions!

About Debate Mate

Debate Mate is an organisation that sets up and runs after-school debating clubs in areas of high child poverty. Each week, over 7,000 students participate in our various programmes, located in the UK, US and Jamaica. Our Core Programme targets students aged 9-15 in some of the country's most deprived areas. It is delivered by top university students, many of whom are successful competitive debaters themselves. Our mentors are not just teachers – they act as inspirational and consistent role models for our students. The programme runs for 17 weeks from November to May, and culminates in two national competitions – the Urban Debate League and the Debate Mate Cup – both of which are now the largest of their kind in the world.

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“Debate Mate was entertaining and informative... a great balance of theory and practice, and I feel well equipped to take debating back to my school with a fresh understanding of what the children experience. Thank you so much for a great day.”

- Teacher, Campie Primary School

“Debating has made me more confident in the things that I say and has allowed me to vocalise my thoughts better and will therefore help me in interviews that I will have in the future.”

- Year 10, Eastlea Community School

“Amazing experience which has really helped me to develop a cross-curricular approach to debating.”

- Teacher, Frederick Gent School

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