

Three Burdens of Debate

Must have proof to back up our points (because)

“We believe the little ducks will win *because...* they are quicker than the big duck and they can fly!”

“**So...** don’t you think the little ducks will run around him and probably not get hit by his attacks?”

We must disagree (“actually no” / “we disagree”)

“*We disagree because...* the big duck is both big and strong too.”

“**So...** don’t you think he could just knock them out of the air or stomp on them with his feet?”

We must defend our point (no repeating!)

“*We disagree because...* he is so large that he is probably out of shape and will get really tired.”

“**So...** don’t you think after a few minutes, he will be too tired to lift his feet or swing his wings?”